WEATHER.
Cloudy and colder Tuesday, probably showers; Wednesday fair and colder.

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WILSON ASKS CONGRESS FOR AUTHORITY TO USE FORCE

Cunard Liner Sunk With Americans Among Passengers and Crew

RESPONSE IS IMMEDIATE INTRODUCTION OF MEASURE

WOULD PUT THE NATION IN A STATE OF ARMED NEUTRALITY

Measure Now Pending in House, Approved in Advance by the President, Empowers Him to Arm Merchant Ships and Use Such Means as Necessary to Protect Them on the High Seas. Similar Bill to be Considered by Senate.

Republicans Inclined to Oppose Legislation the President Asks in Order to Force Extra Session, Regardlesss of Impression Made in Germany—No Cheers Heard While Address is Read, But Applause Breaks Forth at Conclusion

Washington, Feb. 26.—President Wilson today took the inevitable step and asked Congress for authority to use the forces of the United States to protect American ships and lives against the German submarine menace—to put the Nation in a state of armed neutrality.

The immediate response was the introduction in the House of a bill approved in advance by the President, empowering him to furnish guns and gunners to American merchantmen; to "employ such other instrumentalities and methods" as may become necessary, and providing for a $100,000,000 bond issue, to be used in his discretion for war insurance to encourage American commerce to brave the submarine peril. The bill may be brought up in the House tomorrow with special rules for its immediate consideration. A similar bill will be considered tomorrow by the Senate Foreign Relations committee.

Extra Session Threatened.

The President's long expected action, while received in the main with expressions of support, threatens to force an extra session of Congress.

Republicans, disinclined to grant him blanket authority while Congress is in recess, give evidence of opposing the legislation the President asks, not for the purpose of withholding it, but to force him to have Congress in special session to take a hand in the next steps which they feel will lead to war. The Republicans are receiving passive support from the Democratic element classed as pacifist.

The President's advisers deplore this situation for its effect in Germany where they are convinced it will feed the official impression that Congress will not support the President if he finds it necessary to go to war, and that he is not speaking the sentiments of a united country.

The President's request for authority to use "other instrumentalities" is the principal sticking point. Even the Republicans and some of the Democrats who hesitate to give what he asks say they would be willing to give him authority to arm American ships or act on a definite proposal, but are reluctant to "sign a blank check."

Has Authority Already.

The administration faces this division in its own ranks in its effort to convince the Kaiser that the United States is now preparing to enforce respect for its rights on the high seas. Some Democrats point to the President's own statement in his address today that he considered he already had implied authority to act, and might do so without sanction of Congress. Mr. Wilson, himself, however, said he preferred not to act on implications, and did not desire to be left without specific authority and no Congress to which to turn. All these things point towards an extra session, although a way out may develop at the last moment.

Although President Wilson told Congress he was not acting because of the long feared "overt act," news of the destruction of the Cunard liner Laconia, with Americans aboard, was received here as he was entering the doors of the Capitol and was passed from mouth to mouth through Congress while he was speaking. Lacking details, its seriousness could not be estimated, but it was apparent everywhere that it gave weight to the President's words, then falling upon a body of grave, silent legislators, assembled before him in a sombre moment of American history, weighing the declarations which may lead the United States to war.

Only Rights of Peace.

But the President made it clear that America was asking to exercise none but the rights of peace, that he was not proposing nor contemplating war. He was thinking, he said, of the rights of life itself, the rights of humanity, "without which there is no civilization," rights deeper and more fundamental than merely the rights of Americans.

"No course of my choosing nor of theirs," said President, "will lead to war. War can come only by the willful acts and aggressions of others."

Four weeks of unrestricted submarine warfare, the President told Congress, has seen the destruction of at least two American ships, American commerce driven in a large measure from the seas through fear of the underseas peril, and a resulting congestion of America's vital industries growing more serious every day.

The fact that more American lives had not been lost, he said, was due more to the fact that German submarine commanders had exercised "an unexpected discretion and restraint" rather than because of the instructions under which they were acting.

Would be Most "Imprudent"

To be unprepared, with Congress out of session, the President said, would be most "imprudent." Consequently he asked for authority to act.

Standing at the clerk's desk in the hall of the House, calm, grave, speaking earnestly in the attitude now become familiar, the Preisdent delivered his address while Congress sat in a tense, respectful silence, fully impressed with the soberness of the occasion.

No cheers and applause such as have burst out before, punctuated his sentences. By common consent the members refrained from demonstration as if in respect to the dignity and fatefulness of the moment: There were vigorous nods of approval from Democrats and Republicans who have been urging a forward course; silence and indications of reserved thought from those opposed.

But at the conclusion of the address, when the President spoke of the fundamental rights on which are based the structure of family, state and liberty, and said, "I cannot imagine any man with American principles at his heart, hesitating to defend these things," the cheers broke forth and resounded through the chamber.

Congressmen Touched.

Whatever might have been the opinions of some of those who dissented from his views, it was plain that they were touched by his words. At once the wheels of the congressional machinery began turning. The pacifist element took stock of the war-making possibilities of the authority the President requested; Republicans, reluctant to leave the next steps to the President without Congress close by to take a hand, considered means of forcing an extra session and Democrats who support the Preisdent set about doing what he asked.

Secretary McAdoo conferred with the leaders who will have to do with authorizing the bond issue and Postmaster General Burleson, who looks after lining up administration forces in the House, was active in conferences.

The result was the introduction of a bill, which was referred to the Foreign Relations committee, to be reported to the House tomorrow, and a meeting of the Senate Foreign Relations committee to discuss a similar measure.

Developments at Once.

Tomorrow, perhaps, or next day at the latest, will develop the breadth and depth of the opposition the Presi-

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TRUSTEES FOR THE UNIVERSITY NAMED BY LEGISLATURE

Boiler Inspection Bill From House Goes Over in Senate, After Being Amended

KNOTTY PROBLEM SOLVED

Supreme Court Renders Decision on Extension of Limits Clause of Municipal Bill

(BL W. J. MARTIN)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 26.—The Senate and House entered in the joint session today and ratified the trustees of the University of North Carolina including 20 additional trustees provided for in a special act of this session. Lieut. Governor Gardner and Speaker Murphy presided jointly. At 2 o'clock there were present answering to the roll call 37 senators and 106 Representatives.

The trustees in the order of their terms of office follows:

For terms expiring November 30, 1925—David C. Barnes, Hertford; D. F. Ray, Cumberland; Dr. A. R. Abernathy, Orange; J. S. Carr, Durham; Josephus Daniels, Wake; A. W. Graham, Granville; J. Bryan Grimes, Pitt; J. S. Cuningham, Durham; L. T. Hamtsell, Cabarrus; Perrin Busbee, Wake; J. W. Hinsdale, Jr., Wake; F. P. Hobgood, Granville; W. Stamps Howard, Edgecombe; Paul Jones Long, Northampton; H. A. London, Chatham; G. M. Rose, Cumberland; G. C. Green, Halfax; James Sprunt, New Hanover; A. W. McLean, Robeson; George Stephens, Mecklenburg.

Terms expiring November 30, 1923—Stanly Winborne, Hertford; Geo. A. Holderness, Edgecombe; Chase Brenizer Mecklenburg; George Pritchard, Madison.

Terms expiring November 30, 1920—J. L. Patterson, Halifax; C. G. Wright, Guilford; C. A. Jones, Lincoln; A. H. Price, Rowan; Claudius Dockery, Montgomery.

Terms expiring November 30,1919.—Leonard Tufts, Moore.

Twenty aditional trustees by special act:

To expire November 30, 1925.— R. L. Haymore, Surry; H. P. Grier, Iredell; Dr. J. G. Blount, Beaufort; J. K. Warren, Jones; A. L. James, Scotland.

Terms to expire November 30, 1923.—K. E. Bennett, Swain; T. C. Bowie, Ashe; R. L. Smith, Stanly; Julius Duncan, Carteret; S. R. Hoyle, Lee.

Terms expiring November 30, 1921.—J. H. Pearson, Jr., Burke; E. L. Gaither, Davie; W. M. Person, Franklin; J. C. Kittrell, Vance; J. S. Mann, Hyde.

Terms expiring November 30, 1919.—A. A. Shuford, Jr., Catawba; Dr. E. J.

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SIX PASSENGERS AND 20 OF CREW WERE AMERICANS

Laconia Carried Silver, Wheat, Cotton, Fruit, War Supplies, Provisions; No Explosives

HAD ONE DEFENSE GUN AFT

Vessel Carried 5,000 Bags of United States and Canadian Mail From New York.

New York, Feb. 26.—Twenty-six Americans, among whom six were cabin passengers and twenty paid members of the crew, were on board the Cunard liner Laconia, from New York February 18 for Liverpool with 75 passengers and a crew of 216, when the vessel was sunk by a German submarine Sunday night. One casualty, as yet unidentified, was officially reported by the Liverpool office of the line to officials here.

The names of the American passengers and their addresses as given by the line here, and confirmed in part by relatives in the United States, are as follows:

American Passengers.

Floyd P. Gibbons, of the Chicago Tribune.

Mrs. F. E. Harris, wife of Lieutenant Colonel Frank E. Harris, United States coast artillery corps, stationed at Fort DuPont, near Philadelphia.

Arthur T. Kirby, Bainbridge, N. Y.

Mrs. Mary E. Hoy, Chicago.

Miss Elizabeth Hoy, Chicago.

Rev. James Wareing, registered from New York but said to be from Norfolk, Va.

The Americans among the crew were signed here to take the place of others whose terms of service had expired or who had failed to appear when the ship was ready to sail. The men were recruited mostly from shipping offices and gave New York and Brooklyn as their places of residence. They were stokers, coal trimmers, wipers and seamen.

While details of the cargo of the Laconia are withheld under a recent ruling of the customs officials, it was learned at the office of the company that the following items were among the principal commodities carried:

Principal Commodities Carried.

One thousand bars of silver; 40,000 bushels of wheat, 2,843 bales of cotton; 1,048 boxes of fresh fruit; 3,000 tons of shell casings and other war supplies, and 9,000 tons of provisions.

It was positively stated by officials of the line that there were no explosives on board.

In addition to cargo and passengers, the Laconia carried 5,$$ bags of United States and Canadian mail, 1,300

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Press of the Country Generally Speaks in Support of President

Memphis (Tenn.) Commercial Appeal: If our people properly appreciate the blessings of liberty we are perilously close to war, but if our people are for peace at any price • • • they are just as far away from war as they have added liberties to surrender.

New Orleans Times-Picayune: The President has asked Congress for full power to deal with the submarine situation as it exists and as it may develop in the fateful days to come. That authority should be granted in the fullest form.

New York World: There ought to be no question whatever in Congress about granting to President Wilson the full measure of money and credit for which he has asked in order to protect American lives and American ships on the high seas. The President, in our opinion, erred in his address to Congress, on the side of caution and conservatism.

New York Staats Zeitung.—The President says "we are jointly the servants of the people and must act together and in their spirit so far as we can divine and interpret it." With that spirit in mind and wth the great peace feeling of the country as a guide we can look to the future with great confidence.

New Yorker Herold: Buried in these seemingly inocuous sentences and periods, we find a request for full power to do just what only Congress is permitted to do, that is, to commence war.

Boston Advertiser: The speech is Mr. Wilson at his worst. It shows him very evidently undecided what to do, uncertain in the face of this great crisis, hesitating on the brink of a decision. He has no policy.

Louisville Herald: The President could not have done less. To have dellied further would have been cowardice. America is with its President.

Washington Past: It is impossible to believe that partisanship can go so far as to oppose or deny this request. The President makes it plain that he is trying to avoid war.

Atlanta Constitution: The proper course for Americans is to be calm, yet ready for whatever might arise and to do whatever their duty to their country might require them to do.

Macon (Ga) Telegraph: The soonre Congress passes the resolution, the sooner America resumes her lately uncertain position as leader of the neutral world.

Charleston (S. C.) News and Courier: The President should be given the authority he asks at once and by unanimous vote.

ON HIS WAY TO ASK CONGRESS FOR POWER TO PROTECT, LACONIA NEWS REACHES HIM

Text of President's Address to Congress Asking for Authority

To Declare Country in a State of "Armed Neutrality" and Employ Whatever Means Becomes Necessary to Protect American Lives and Proper and Maintain America's Rights on the Seas.

Washington, Feb. 26.—The President's speech at the joint session of Congress today follows:

"Gentlemen of the Congress:

"I have again asked the privilege of addressing you because we are moving through critical times during which it seems to me to be my duty to keep in close touch with the Houses of Congress so that neither counsel nor action shall run at cross purposes between us.

"On the third of February, I officially informed you of the sudden and unexpected action of the imperial German government in declaring its intentions to disregard the promises it had made to this government in April last and undertake immediate submarine operations against all commerce, whether of belligerents or of neutrals, that should seek to approach Great Britain and Ireland, the Atlantic coasts of Europe, or the harbors of the eastern Mediterranean, and to conduct these operations without regard to the established restrictions of international practice, without regard to any considerations of humanity, even which might interfere with their object. That policy was forthwith put into practice. It has now been in active execution for nearly four weeks.

"Its practical results are not fully disclosed. The commerce of other neutral nations is suffering severely, but not, perhaps, very much more severely than it was already suffering before the 1st of February, when the new policy of the imperial government was put into operation. We have asked the cooperation of the other neutral governments to prevent these depredations but I fear none of them has thought it wise to join us in any common course of action. Our own commerce has suffered, is suffering, rather in apprehension than in fact, rather because so many of our ships are timidly keeping to their home ports than because American ships have been sunk.

Two American Ships Sunk.

"Two American vessels have been sunk, the Housatonic and the Lyman M. Law. The case of the Housatonic, which was carrying foodstuffs consigned to a London firm, was essentially like the case of the Frye in which, it will be recalled, the German government admitted its liability for damages, and the lives of the crew, as in the case of the Frye, were safeguarded with reasonable care.

"The case of the Law, which was carrying lemon box staves to Palermo, disclosed a ruthlessness of method which deserves grave condemnation, but was accompanied by no circumstances which might not have been expected at any time in connection with the use of the submarine against merchantmen as the German government has used it.

"In sum, therefore, the situation we find ourselves in, with regard to the actual conduct of the German submarine warfare against commerce and its effects upon our own ships and people, is substantially the same that it was when I addressed you on the 3rd of February, except for the tying up of our shipping in our own ports because of the unwillingness of our ship owners to risk their vessels at sea without insurance or adequate protection, and the very serious congestion of our commerce which has resulted, a congestion which is growing rapidly more and more serious every day.

No "Overt Act," But—

"This in itself might presently accomplish, in effect, what the new Ger-

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MOST SERIOUS DISREGARD YET OF THE RIGHTS OF AMERICANS

Big Cunard Liner Laconia Sunk, Apparently Without Warning, With Loss of One Life

U. S. OFFICIALS CONCERNED

Twenty-Seven Americans on Board "Illegally Assaulted" on a Peaceful Mission

TWO AMERICANS LOST CERTAINLY IS REPORT

London, Feb. 26.—It has been definitely ascertained that two Americans were lost on the Laconia, according to the Daily Chronicle's Queenstown corerspondent.

Queenstown, Feb. 26.—The Cunard Line steamship Laconia, of 18,099 tons gross, which sailed from New York February 18 for Liverpool, has been sunk. The survivors, said to number 270, will be landed tonight.

Washington, Feb. 26.—The sinking of the big Cunarder Laconia, apparently without warning, and with 26 Americans on board, loomed up tonight as the most serious disregard of American rights since the ruthless German submarine campaign began. Government officials here made no attempt to conceal their concern.

Consul Frost at Queenstown, reported to the State Department the sinking of the vessel and the loss of one life, but up to a late hour tonight had not been able to furnish details from survivors as to whether it was an American who met death. He expected to obtain full information from the 267 survivors due at Queenstown at 11:30 o'clock tonight.

Illegally Assaulted at Best

Officials pointed out that while final reports may show that no American lives were lost, the fact will remain that the 27 Americans on board were illegally assaulted on a peaceful mission and escaped death only by good fortune.

The United States is concerned in the sinking of the Laconia also because a large amount of official diplomatic mail had been entrusted to her after the American liner St. Louis had cancelled its sailing.

The State Department after having had its mail held on the St. Louis for three weeks, had transferred it to the Laconia when it was definitely announced that the St. Louis would not sail until it secured guns.

In the absence of official information expected hourly from Consul Frost, no official would venture an opinion on the outcome of the sinking beyond saying that it would gravely complicate the already critical situation with Germany.

Whether it may prove to be the "overt act" will depend entirely on the actual facts expected tomorrow.

COMPANY BELIEVES VIRTUALLY ALL ON BOARD WERE SAVED

Liverpool, Feb. 26.—The Cunard company announces that there is reason to believe that virtually all on board the steamer Laconia were saved. There were between 200 and 220 mmbers of the crew and from 70 to 80

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ARMED NEUTRALITY NOT AN INNOVATION

Was Adopted by United States Soon After 1778, During Spanish-British-French War

NEUTRAL RIGHTS MENACED

Last Time America Was in State of Armed Neutrality Was During War Between France and England, in 1798.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Armed neutrality was adopted by the United States soon after 1778 when war broke out between France and Spain and France and Great Britain. Neutrals became alarmed at the dangers with which the maritime rights were threatened and the Empress of Russia undertook to unite them in defense of their neutral rights. This formed the basis of treaties between Russia, Denmark, Sweden, Holland, Austria and Portugal. They formed a league which under the name of armed neutrality undertook to preserve inviolate the maritime rights of neutrals.

These declarations were recognized by the treaty of peace between Great Britain and France and were the established law of nations when the United States in 1783 was recognized as independent of the powers of the world.

The last time the United States was in a state of armed neutrality was during the war between France and England which ended with the downfall of Napoleon.

After many acts against American commerce bound for England, France on January 18, 1798, decreed that every vessel found at sea loaded with merchandise produced in England or her possessions could be made a prize.

Many American vessels were seized and in June of 1798 President Adams began to obtain from Congress broad authority to protect American commerce and to put the United States in a better position to make war if it be name necessary.

In rapid succession laws were made to increase the naval armament, to authorize a provisional army, to arrest and expel aliens, to authorize the defense of merchant ships against French war vessels, and to enable the President to borrow money. On July 7, 1798, President Adams approved an act reciting that since treaties repeatedly had been violated by France, just claims for reparation refused and a system "of predatory violence" had been pursued by the Frence government, the United States were "of right freed and exonerated from stipulations of the treaties" and that these compacts should not henceforth be regarded as legally obligatory on the government or citizens of the United States.

Later that year further provision was made for augmenting the army and George Washington accepted the chief command. The attorney general held that the acts of France and the legislation by Congress gave him the opinion that there not only existed "an actual maritime war authorized by both nations."

The difficulty with France was not settled for many years. Thirty years after France agreed to pay 25,000,000 francs to satisfy American claims, although many years before that time her depredations on American commerce and American reprisals had ceased.

The acts of Congress in 1798 were in the aggregate somewhat like the bill introduced in the Senate Saturday by Senator Fall. The President then was authorized to instruct and direct commanders of United States war vessels to seize and bring into any port of the United States any armed vessel found hoving on the coasts of the United States and committing depredations on American ships. They also were instruct to re-take any captured American ship. Another act authorized merchant ships to be armed and to take the same steps against foreign war vessels. Communication with France was forbidden and French vessels were prohibited from entering American ports.

FRIENDSHIP DEFIES WAR TALK

The people Across The Hall Are Hyphenates, But Good Folks.

(From the Chicago News.)

The people across the hall are neighbors and friends. They make about as much money as we do, and they pay the same rent for their flat. Their problems are similar to ours. They have similar tastes. Often we go to the movies together, and sometimes we borrow little household necessities fro mone another We two families have sared sorrows and joys. We have sat up with one another, and, in short, have tried to be neighborly in the best sense. Mother got her bread recipe from the mother across the hall, and taught her in turn a new kind of embroidery.

Let some people say that on account of the war, if it comes, there must be strained relations between our two families, for the people across the hall are German-Americans. But that sort of talk is absured. The people across the hall are just friends and neighbors, and that is what they will remain.

KEEP LIVER ACTIVE AND BOWELS CLEAN WITH "CASCARETS"

Best when bilious, sick, headachy, constipated, or for bad breath or sour stomach.

Be cheerful! Clean up inside tonight and feel fine. Take Cascarets to liven your liver and clean the bowels and stop headaches, a bad cold, biliousness, offensive breath, coated tongue, sallowness, sour stomach and gases. Tonight take Cascarets and enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced. Wake up feeling grand—Everybody's doing it. Cascarets best laxative for children also.

WANTS THE CITY TO SELL FOOD AT COST

Mayor Mitchel to Have Bill Introduced in Legislature Today for That Purpose

MORE RIOTING LAST NIGHT

Governor Whitman Convined Situation is Not "Critical"—Material Drop in Prices This Week Predicted by Hartigan.

New York, Feb. 26.—Mayor Mitchel anounced tonight, after the resumption of rioting on the East Side, which resulted in the police resereves making several arrests, that a bill would be introduced in the legislature tomorrow to empower the city to purchase food supplies and sell them at cost, as a means of ameliorating suffering among the poor here due to the present high cost of living.

Governor Whitman, prior to his departure for Albany earlier in the day, asserted that he did not expect to send an emergency measure to the legislature, as he was "convinced the situation was not critical."

Joseph Hartigan city commissioner of weights and measures predicted a material drop in the prces of potatoes and onions before the end of the week.

Information furnished to him by wholesale produce merchants District Attorney Ewann announced indicated that the farmers were responsible for the increase in the prices of potatoes and onions. In short he said farmers were receiving $1.47 a bushel for potatoes, double the price of December, 1915.

The Young Women's Christian Association today threw open its culinary classes to the public "in order to that housewives may be taught kitchen economy." The classes were originally opened to prepare the women of the city for any emergency resulting from the international situation.

TEXT OF PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS TO CONGRESS

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man submarine orders were meant to accomplish, so far as we are concerned. We can only say, therefore, that the overt act which I have ventured to hope the German commanders would in fact avoid has not occurred.

"But, while this is happily true, it must be admitted that there have been certain additional indications and expressions of purpose on the part of the German press and the German authorities which have increased rather than lessened the impression that, if our ships and our people are spared, it will be because of fortunate circumstances or because the commanders of the German submarines which they may happen to encounter, exercise an unexpected discretion and restraint rather than because of the instructions under which those commanders are acting.

"Gravest" Situation.

"It would be foolish to deny that the situation is fraught with the gravest possibilities and dangers. No thoughtful man can fail to see that the necessity for definite action may come at any time, if we are in fact, and not in word merely, to defend our elementary rights as a neutral nation. It would be most imprudent to be unprepared.

"I cannot in such circumstances be unmindful of the fact that the expiration of the term of the present Congress is immediately at hand by constitutional limitation, and that it would in all likelihood require an unusual length of time to assemble and organize the Congress which is to succeed it.

"I feel that I ought, in view of that fact, to obtain from you full and immediate assurance of the authority which I may need at any moment to exercise.

Wants Congress' Support.

"No doubt I already possess that authority without special warrant of law, by the plain implication of my constitutional duties and powers; but I prefer, in the present circumstances, not to act upon general implication. I wish to feel that the authority and power of the Congress are behind me in whatever it may become necessary for me to do.

"We are jointly the servants of the people and must act together and in their spirit, so far as we can divine and interpret it.

"No one doubts what it is our duty to do. We must defend our commerce and the lives of our people in the midst of the present trying circumstances, with discretion, but with clear and steadfast purpose. Only the method and the extent remain to be chosen, upon the occasion, if occasion should indeed arise.

"Since it has unhappily proved impossible to safeguard our neutral rights by diplomatic means against the unwarranted infringements they are suffering at the hands of Germany, there may be no recourse but to armed neutrality, which we shall know how to maintain and for which there is abundant American perecedent.

Would Avoid Use of Force.

"It is devoutly to be hoped that it will not be necessary to put armed force anywhere into action. The American people do not desire it, and our desire is not different from theirs. I am sure that they will understand the spirit in which I am now acting, the spirit I hold nearest my heart and would wish to exhibit in everything I do.

"I am anxious that the people of the nations at war should understand and not mistrust us. I hope that I need give no further proofs and assurances than I have already given throughout nearly three years of anxious patience that I am the friend of peace and mean to preserve it for America so long as I am able.

"I am not now proposing or contemplating war or any steps that need lead to it. I merely request that you will accord me by your own vote and definite bestowal the means and the authority to safeguard in practice the right of a great people who are at peace and who are desirous of exercising none but the rights of peace, to follow the pursuit of peace in quietness and wood will—rights recognized time out of mind by all the civilized nations of the world.

"No course of my choosing or of theirs will lead to war. War can come only by the wilful acts and aggressions of others.

No Definite Proposals.

"You will understand why I can make no definite proposals or forecasts of action now and must ask for your supporting authority in the most general terms. The form in which action may become necessary cannot yet be foreseen. I believe that the people will be willing to trust me to act with restraint, with prudence, and in the true spirit of amity and good faith that they have themselves displayed throughout these trying months; and it is in that belief that I request that you will authorize me to supply our merchant ships with defensive arms should that become necessary, and with the means of using them, and to employ any other instrumentalities or methods that may be necessary and adequate to protect our ships and our people in their legitimate and peaceful pursuits on the seas. I request also that you will grant me at the same time, along with the powers I ask, a sufficient credit to enable me to provide adequate means of protection where they are lacking, including adequate insurance against the present war risks.

"The Main Thought."

"I have spoken of our commerce and of the legitimate errands of our people on the seas, but you will not be misled as to my main thought, the thought that lies beneath these phrases and gives them dignity and weight. It is not of material interests merely that we are thinking. It is, rather, of fundamental human rights, chief of all the rights of life itself. I am thinking not only of the rights of Americans to go and come about their business by way of the sea, but also of something much deeper, much more fundamental than that. I am thinking of those rights of humanity without which there is no civilization. My theme is of those great principles of compassion and of protection which mankind has sought to throw about human lives, the lives of non-combatants, the lives of men woh are peacefully at work keeping the industrial processes of the world quick and vital, the lives of women and children and of those who supply the labor which ministers to their sustenance. We are speaking of no selfish material rights but of rights which our hearts support and whose foundation is that righteous passion for justice upon which all law, all structures alike of family, of state, and of mankind must rest, as upon the ultimate base of our existence and our liberty. I cannot imagine any man with American principles at his heart hesitating to defend these rights."

DR. J. H. BARNHARDT NAMED

To Succeed Dr. Weaver as Presiding Elder of Greensboro District

(Special Star Telegram.)

Greensboro, N. C., Feb. 26.—Dr. J. H. Barnhardt, presiding elder of Shelby district, will arrive here in a few days to succeed late Dr. Weaver as presiding elder of Greensboro district. Bishop Kilgo anounced the appointment today

T. W. MATTHEWS, OF VIRGINIA, BELIEVED AMONG PASSENGERS

Winchester, Va., Feb. 26.—Thomas W. Matthews, an apple buyer, who has made his home here for several years, is believed to have been a passenger on the Cunard liner Laconia, sunk today. He left here a few days ago to return to his family in Glasgow and expected to sail on the Laconia.

FARMER IS HAPPY AND TELLS ABOUT A CHANGE IN WIFE

I. J. Borden of Wilmington R. F. D. Says He Wouldn't Take $25.00 For the First 3 Bottles of Tanlac He Bought.

"I wouldn't take $25.00 for the first three bottles of Tanlac, if I could get it any cheaper as it is the only medicine that has done my wife any good," said I. J. Borden, well known farmer, of R. F. D., this city, during a talk with the Tanlac Man at the Bellamy Drug Store.

"Yes, sir," the happy rural man continued, "Mrs. Borden has not only gained five pounds in weight from Tanlac, but she has gained a great deal in strength, for her appetite is as good as ever; she can eat anything she wants now without it disagreeing with her. Her back is better and all the pains have left her. And, her complexion has cleared up and she is really like a different woman.

"Before taking Tanlac, however, my wife had suffered for three years from poor health. Her kidneys bothered her every night and she suffered from pains in her back. Her complexion was bad and she was very weak and nervous and subject to attacks of indigestion. Very often she was compelled to take to bed because of her condition. She had a poor appetite and was losing weight right along and felt bad all the time." Here Mr. Borden smiled his thanks to the Tanlac Man, and, after bidding good-bye, started for home with his fourth bottle of Tanlac.

Genuine Tanlac is sold in Wilmington only by the Bellamy Drug Store. Each town has its Tanlac dealer.—adv.

DEATH CLAIMS SISTER OF PRESIDENT'S WIFE

Mrs. Mathew Maury Dies Suddenly at Roanoke, Va.

Passed Away Late Yesterday Afternoon Following an Operation for Peritonitis—No Funeral Arrangements Yet.

Roanoke, Va., Feb. 26.—Mrs. Mathew Maury, sister of Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, died at 5:30 o'clock this afternoon following an operation for peritonitis.

Mrs. Maury's death was sudden, as she had not been ill but a few days.

The deceased was the second daughter of the late Judge and Mrs. William Bolling, of Wytheville, Va. She was born in Bedford county, 51 years ago.

She is survived by her mother, Mrs. William H. Bolling, her sisters, Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, Mrs. Hunter Galt, Miss Bertha Bolling, of Washington, and the following brothers: Randolph R. Bolling; R. Wilmer Bolling and Julian Bolling, all of Washington; Rolfe Bolling, of New York, and Dr. William Archer Bolling, of Louisville, Ky. Her husband, Mathew Maury, and two daughters, Anne Bolling Maury and Lucy Gertrude Maury, also survive her.

No funeral arrangements had been announced at a late hour tonight.

WOULD PUT THE NATION IN A STATE OF ARMED NEUTRALITY HE SAYS

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dent must face, in order, as Senator Williams recently expressed it, "to unfool Germany." The most serious concern of the President's friends is that out of the situation an impression may go abroad, as on previous occasions, that the united force of Congress does not stand behind him.

The armed neutrality which the President proposes does not look to war; whether it shall become war depends upon those who infringe upon the rights it seeks to protect. There is ample historical precdent for it; northern Europe under the leadership of Russia formed a league and used it to protect its commerce in the wars between England and France and France and Spain.

Although the President, when he severed relations with Germany, invited others neutrals to follow his lead, he has not so far as is known suggested that neutrals join the United States in the armed neutrality he proposes.

All Foreign Nations Advised.

All foreign governments, however, have been officially advised of his address to Congress today and official copies have been delivered to their diplomats here. By wireless the text was sent to Berlin.

The precedents set by John Quincy Adams to protect the commerce of the United States against the "predatory violence" of France during the Napoleonic wars draw a striking parallel to the situation which confronts President Wilson. Congress authorized Adams to protect American ships and lives at sea by armed force and to raise an army.

Now, as then, Congress is asked to empower the President to act as may become necessary. Every confidence is expressed at the White House that Congress ultimately will act as the President asks, taking into account his efforts of more than two years to preserve peace, as sufficient evidence that he does not desire to plunge the country into war.

Will Await Congress Action.

No steps otwards the arming of merchant ships are to be taken until Congress acts. The convoying of merchantment is not approved by naval authorities as an effective or desirable strategic policy.

One collateral feature has not been wholly cleared up. Efforts to have President Wilson call a conference of neutrals to formulate a uniform declaration of the rights of the nation's not at war are going steadily forward and there are indications that they are favored in administration quarters. Suggestions to this effect have come from more than one of the European neutrals since diplomatic relations with Germany were sevrred.

Secretary Lansing, who has been away for a three-day stay at White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, is to return tomorrow, and it is possible that some developments may follow. There is no official ground for a statement that he has been at work on something for the President, but the impression prevails that he has.

Numerous Conferences.

Introduction of the bill in the House embodying the President's suggestions followed numerous conferences on the subject bewteen Senate and House leaders.

Republican members of the foreign relations committee let it be known that when the committee meets tomorrow they will seek to modify the measure in several particulars. They want to eliminate from the first clause the qualification to the authorization to the President for arming merchant ships, reading "should it in his judgment become necessary for him to do so" and to direct as well as empower the arming. The second clause which would empower the President "to employ such other instrumentalities os may in his judgment and discretion seem necessary," they will seek to modify and make specific.

Some of the Republicans object to the provisions leaving arming of ships to the President's judgment, because they declare this form of expression implies that the emergency for arming of ships does not yet exist, when they believe that it does now exist and has existed for sometime.

Many of the minority say there can be no critismism of the President for asking broad powers in the emergency because there are many precedents for it in the history of the country.

What Senator LaFollette may do is disturbing administration leaders who would like to have the bill passed at once. The fear that he may conduct a filibuster against it, even should it be modified to meet objection of all other senators.

BILL INTRODUCED IN RESPONSE TO THE PRESIDENT'S APPEAL

Washington, Feb. 26.—After conferences with Democratic and Republican leaders, Chairman Flood, of the House Foreign Affairs committee, introduced late today a bill authorizing the President to arm merchant ships and use "such other instrumentalities as necessary" to protect them on the high seas, and providing for a special bond issue of $100,000,000.

The bill was referred to the committee, which will meet tomorrow morning to consider it. At the same time the Senate Foreign Relations committee will consider the President's tentative draft of a similar measure, submitted by Chairman Stone.

Text of the Bill.

The text of the Flood zill follows: "Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, that the President of the United States be and hereby is authorized and empowered to supply merchant ships, the property of citizens of the United States and bearing American registry, with defensive arms, should it, in his judgment, become necessary for him to do so, and also with the necessary ammunition and means of making use of them in defense against unlawful attack; and that he be and is hereby authorized and empowered to employ such other instrumentalities and methods as may in his judgment and discretion seem necessary and adequate to protect such ships and the citizens of the United States in their lawful and peaceful pursuits on the high seas.

$100,000,000 Appropriated.

"Section 2. The sum of one hundred million dollars is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated to be expended by the President of the United States for the purposes herein stated, the said sum to be available until the first day of January, nineteen hundred and eighteen; and the President is authorized to transfer so much thereof as he may deem necessary to the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, created by act of Congress, approved September 2nd, 1914, for the purpose of insuring vessels, their freight, passage money and cargoes against loss or damage by the present risks of war.

Bond Issue Authorized.

"Section 3. For the purpose of meeting the expenditures herein authorized the Secretary of the Treasury, under the direction of the President, is hereby authorized to borrow on the credit of the United States and of issue therefor bonds of the United States, not exceeding in the aggregate $100,000,000, said bonds to be in such form and subject to such terms and conditions as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe, and to bear interest at the rate not exceeding three per cent. per annum; provided, that such bonds shall be sold at not less than par, shall not carry the circulating privilege, and that all citizens of the United States shall be given an equal opportunity to subscribe therefor, but no commission shall be allowed or pair thereon; that both principal and interest shall be payable in United States gold coin of the present standard of value, and be exempt from all taxation and duties of the United States as well as from taxation in any form of all state, municipal or local authorities; that any bonds bearing a higher rate of interest than three per cent. per annum if any bonds issued herein under may, under such conditions at the Secrtary of the Treasury may prescribe, he convertible into bonds bearing a higher rate than three per cent. per anum by virtue of any act passed on or before December 31st, nineteen hundred and eighteen.

To Pay Expenses.

"Section 4. In order to pay the necessary expenses connected with the said issue of bonds, or any conversions thereof, a sum not exceeding one-fifth of one per cent. of the amount of bonds herein authorized to be issued, or which may be converted, is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated to be expended as the secretary of the treasury may direct."

ENTERPRISE OF WILMINGTON CHEMIST

Robert R. Bellamy—Always Leader in Drug Line—in Face of Great Opposition has made New Form of Old and Valuable Medicine Indispensable Auxiliary to Medical Profession.

GOOD NEWS TO AILING PEOPLE RELIABILITY UNQUESTIONED

Enterprise is one of the virtues of our leading druggist, Robert R. Bellamy. Often he has so demonstrated to the people of Wilmington his ability not only to keep pace with, but to keep ahead of the times, and the people of our city have many times had occasion to be proud of the way this prominent druggist has shown himself to be among the foremost in the country in adopting for his standard remedies the latest scientific discoveries.

With this end in view it is not strange that Mr. Bellamy, some years ago, should have been led to think seriously concerning the use of cod liver oil. He like hundreds of other druggists had sold quantities of this valuable, but nauseating remedy, but over and over again he had to listen to tales of woe by sufferers who would beg him to advise some palatable way they might take the medicine prescribed for them, and many attempts have been made in the past to enable patients to take this remedy, knowing well that could they succeed in doing so this valuable medicine would be instrumental in restoring health, and in many cases even in saving life.

He was obliged, however, to give up obtaining the desired end of disguising the taste of this obnoxious, greasy medicine, as many others had to do before him. He found that while it was an easy matter to fool the palate he could not fool the patient's stomach. Even when it had been made tasteless by being administered in capsules or other forms, the stomach would rebel and promptly reject it.

It was then that Mr. Bellamy learned of the important discovery made by two French chemists, whose secret had been bought by a large Boston house, and with characteristic enterprise Mr. Bellamy connected himself with that house and succeeded in making arrangements with them directly to handle this new discovery which has fast taken the place of old-fashioned cod liver oil and emulsions.

This preparation contains all the curative principles which have given the cods' liver its great reputation, and the sought-for principles are in a concentrated form free from the nauseating greasy matter that characterizes cod liver oil as we have known it. It is positively free from any objectionable odor, taste, or any of the other disagreeable features that have always attended cod liver oil.

Above all, Mr. Bellamy wishes it to be understood that this new preparation is not a patent medicine. It is known as Vinol, and contains cod liver peptonates with all the medicinal value attributed to cod liver oil, but the oil, or useless part, is eliminated.

Therefore, it is the tissue-building, medicinal and curative elements of cod liver peptonates, aided by the blood-making, strengthening qualities of tonic iron, manganese peptones and glycerophosphates contained in Vinol that makes it so successful in building up strength for all run-down conditions, after sickness, for feeble old people, delicate children, and which also makes it such a grand constitutional remedy for chronic coughs, colds and bronchitis.

Any one in Wilmington who is in need of such a strengthening, revitalizing tonic should call at Mr. Bellamy's store and hear what he has to say on the subject. The information will cost you nothing, and will prove of the greatest value to you.

Asheville Holds To League Berth

THE $1,000 FORFEIT IS WIRED TO PRESIDENT OF CAROLINA LEAGUE AND ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR BASEBALL

(Special Star Telegram).

Asheville, N. C., Feb. 26.—Asheville will remain in the North Carolina League. This was determined today at a meeting of a committee composed of members of the various organizations in the city of Asheville at which time Fred Kent, representing the S. A. Lynch enterprises in the city, was authorized to wire to President Branham of the North Carolina League the $1,000 forfeit to guarantee Asheville's place in the league.

The $2,500 already raised will be supplemented by other contributions, it is assured, and the club will be managed under the auspices of a committee composed of members from the board of trade, the merchants association, the central labor union, the Rotary club and various other organizations. This committee will have supervision of the management of the club and will handle the finances.

A member of the S. A. Lynch office force is to be connected with the committee and the facilities of the Lynch office will be placed at its disposal. It is contemplated that if there is a profit shown on the operations of the team, the money shall go to charity. It is understood that "Doc" Ferris, former Asheville pitcher, will manage the team.

TORPEDOED WITHOUT WARNING IS REPORTED FROM LONDON

London, Feb. 26.—It is stated here authentically that the Laconia was torpedoed without warning.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

City Tax Payers are notified that additional interest will be added on all taxes unpaid on March 1st (Thursday) ensuing.

THOS. D. MEARES,
City Treasurer

URIC ACID An Enemy in Ambush

(By Dr. M. C. LUCAS.)

It was not until the discovery by Sir Arthur Garrod, in 1848, that the blood of gouty patients contained uric acid in an excessively large amount, that much attention was paid to this subject. Later scientific men learned that in gout (also true in rheumatism,) the kidneys do not work properly to throw off the uric acid poison; consequently, uric acid crystals are deposited in and about the joints, where an inflammation is set up in the nearby tissues. When for any reason the circulation is sluggish, as in the joints of the toes, crystals formed from uric acid are deposited there, and one suffers from gout; or, when deposited in the tissues, one suffers from muscular rheumatism or articular rheumatism. My only medicine to counteract the uric acid and to throw it out of the system is tablets of Anuric (double strength), three times a day.

The pain in the back, lumbago, pain in the neck, creaky joints, stiffness in muscles, have all been proven to be caused by uric acid poison in the blood and tissues. The kidneys soon become diseased, then there often follows disease in the musles of the heart.

Kidney disease carries away a large percentage of our people. What is to be done? What can the ordinary person do to properly balance bodily health? The answer is easy. Eat less meat, eat coarse, plain food, with plenty of vegetables, drink plenty of water between meals, and take an uric acid solvent before meals for awhile, such as Anuric (double strength), obtained at almost any drug store. It was first discovered by Dr. Pierce, of the Surgical Institute in Buffalo, N. Y. Most every one troubled with uric acid finds that Anuric dissolves the uric acid as hot water will dissolve sugar.

CARD OF THANKS.

When the hand of affliction so recently removed from earth my beloved wife, Laura, it is most comforting to remember the many kindly acts so lovingly tendered, and I wish to thank all of those friends most sincerely.

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THAW'S MOTHER ASKS FOR AN EXAMINATION

Petitions for Lunacy Commission to Take Case.

She Believes Son Insane and Wants Tribunal to Determine Question. New York Attorney Will Fight for His Return.

Philadelphia, Feb. 26.—A petition for a lunacy commission to determine the sanity of Harry K. Thaw, confined in a hospital here as the result of self-inflicted wounds when he was about to be arrested on a New York indictment charging him with assault on a 19-year-old Frederick Gump, Jr., of Kansas City, Mo., was filed in common pleas court here today by counsel on behalf of Thaw's mother.

The proceedings, it was announced, instituted an effort to have Thaw adjudged insane and his person and estate brought under control of the judicial authorities of Pennsylvania. The petition is made returnable the first week in April.

Ellis Ames Ballard, an attorney of this city, was appointed commissioner in lunacy. He will sit with a sheriff's jury of six men, to be chosen later, to pass judgment on Thaw's mental condition. The part of an anticipated move by those looking after Thaw's interests to fight his removal to New York on requisition and are believed to be the forerunner of lengthy litigation.

"If Thaw's lunacy is settled anywhere, it will be in New York," according to District Attorney Swann, of New York, when informed of the latest move of Thaw's counsel.

"It is our intention to use every legal means to have Thaw taken to New York to answer the charges on which he has been indicted," he continued.

Three alienists, commissioned by Mr. Swann and Assistant District Attorney Black, will examine Thaw at the hospital here tomorrow.

Mrs. Mary C. Thaw, who took up residence at the hospital shortly after her son slashed himself with a razor at a rooming house here six weeks ago, issued a statement in which she said she was "unable to resist the facts that demonstrate his insanity. Therefore, I have applied to the courts of my state, of his state, to help a mother protect her son from his infirmities."

Josiah C. Thaw, a brother, and Dr. Walter Riddell, of Pittsburg, the Thaw family physician, in an affidavit attached to the petition ,state that they have known Harry Thaw 40 and 30 years, respectively, and are convinced he is of unsound mind.

James Gay Gordon, counsel for Mrs. Thaw, denied that the proceedings had been started in an effort to block Thaw's removal to New York.

CORPORATIONS CHARTERED; BANK AMENDS ITS CHARTER

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 26.—New corporations are chartered by the State as follows:

The Morven Auto Co., of Morven, capital $15,000 authorized and $1,500 subscribed by Blalock-Allen Hardware Co. The Morven Hardware Co., and J. N. McLean for a general automobile and garage business.

The Allen Bros. Co., of Louisburg, capital $50,000 authorized and $5,000 subscribed by J. M. Allen, W. M. Allen and W. N. Fulton for a general mercantile business.

The Graham-Gwyn Co., of Elkin, merchants, capital $25,000 authorized and $7,500 subscribed by R. P., H. C. and French Graham and Paul Gwyn and C. V. Long.

The Roanoke Rapids Real Estate Co., of Roanoke Rapids, capital $100,000 authorized and $1,000 subscribed by S. F. Patterson, C. A. Wyche and W. L. Long.

An amendment for the charter of The Union Bank of Oxford reduces the capital from $30,000 to $20,000, J. F. Meadows is president.

NEARLY FIVE MILLION SHIP TONNAGE IS LOST

Suffered by Entente and Neutrals Since War Began

Merchant Ship Tonnage Alone Either Destroyed or Captured by Central Powers, According to Berlin Announcement.

Berlin, Feb. 26 (via Sayville)—Merchant shipping aggregating 4,998,500 tons belonging to Entente and neutral nations has been destroyed or condemned as prizes by the Central Powers since the beginning of the war, it was officially announced today.

Apparently this total covers a period up to the end of January, 1917, only, as no figures for the present months are given. The official statement reads:

"During January last, 170 merchant ships of hostile powers, with a total of 336,000 gross tons, were destroyed as a result of the war measures of the Central Powers. Of them, 91 vessels with an aggregate of 245,500 gross tons were British. Besides these, 58 neutral merchant ships, totaling 103,500 gross tons, were sunk on account of carrying contraband for the enemy.

"The total loss of shipping for the month was 228 vessels with a total of 439,500 gross tons.

"Since the beginning of the war 4,357,500 gross tons of hostile merchant shipping has been destroyed. Of this, 3,314,500 was British.

"In addition to sea forces of the Central Powers have sunk or condemned as prizes 459 neutral vessels, of a total of 641,000 gross tonnage."

NO FABULOUS PRICES FOR FISH AT SOUTHPORT YET

Variety of Fish and Oysters to Be Had at "Moderate" Figures

(Special Star Correspondence)

Southport, N. C., Feb. 26.—Your correspondent has been greatly interested in the reports from another eastern section of North Carolina, telling of the fabulous prices paid for fish, oysters, scallops and other sea-food. Fortunately for the consumers here, there are no such altitudinous prices demanded for sea food, though prices are higher than in other days and buyers complain, but one can still get the "ten-cent" bunch of mullets, not so many, of course, and then it is only severe weather when fish cannot be found at some point on the river shore.

Today, the fishing smack Thomason arrived from outside with four thousand pounds of fish, the kind that every fish lover is glad to get for his table. These were caught 20 miles off Cape Romain, so are genuine sea bass, snappers and the noted squirrel fish among the lot. Our energetic Capt. Charles Hewett took the entire catch, and quickly had them iced and packed, placed on the steamer Wilmington, bound for New York and Philadelphia markets, to go forward this afternoon.

In the local market there is an ample supply of oysters for those who want them, and the quality is good. Sea trout, flounders and pan fish can be found, besides mullets.

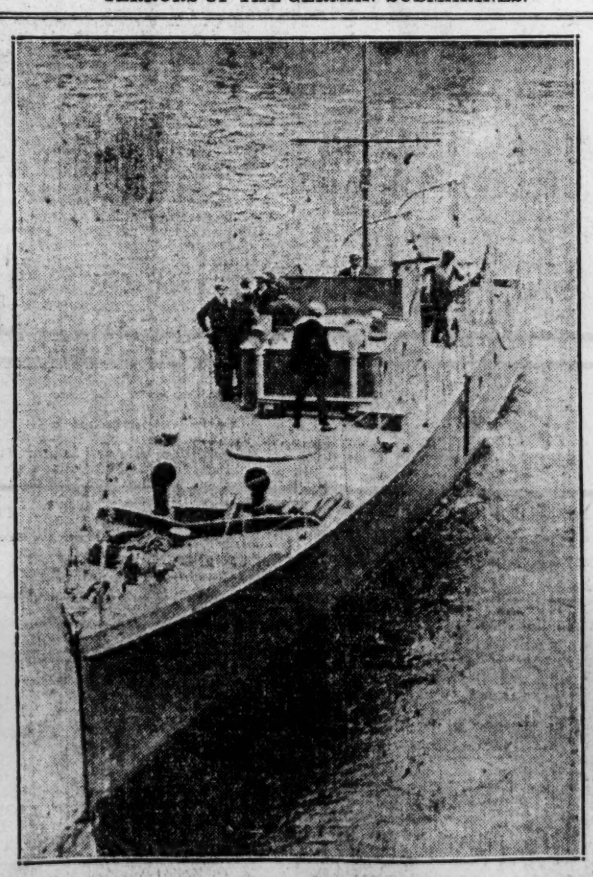
LEE MEADOWS SAYS HE HAS FORWARDED SIGNED CONTRACT

Oxford, N. C., Feb. 26.—Lee Meadows, St. Louis National League pitcher, announced today that he had sent his signed contract to his club and would report at the spring training camp at San Antonio, March 5. Meadows had been regarded as a hold-out.

New Bank at Kinston

Kinston, N. C. Feb. 26.—The Caswell Banking & Trust Co., the fourth white banking concern here, opened for business this morning. Authority to do business was had from the State Saturday. Leading business and professional men of the city are interested in the institution.

TERRORS OF THE GERMAN SUBMARINES.



A scene in the yards of the Submarine Boat Corporation, on the St. Lawrence River, showing a completed boat—high power motor boat—which serves as a submarine chaser in the waters around the British Isles. These boats are 80 feet in length and can attain a speed of 22 knots. They are built with razor edge prows, with which they ram their quarry, cutting it in two and sending it to the bottom. The Sumbarine Boat Corporation established a record in boat construction when they completed five hundred and fifty of these boats, in their plants at Bayonne, N. J.

PUBLISHERS AGREE TO PAPER MAKERS' PLAN

To Have Trade Commission Fix Price for News Print

Also Agree if Necessary to Reduce Their Requirements in Order to Make the Plan Effective in Relieving Situation.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Newspaper publishers from throughout the United States, meeting here today with the Federal Trade Commission, voted unanimously to co-operate with the commission if it decided to accept the proposal by news-print manufacturers that the commission fix a price for their products. The publishers agreed to reduce their requirements if necessary to make the plan successful.

Francis J. Heney, speaking for the commission, told the publishers that any of their number who would not agree to hold paper requirements to the minimum would be kept from benefiting by the price reduction if the commission could accomplish it.

More than 100 publishers, representing both large and small papers, were present at the meeting.

The publishers' assent to the proposal removes virtually all doubt of its acceptance by the Trade Commission and after manufacturers are seen again Wednesday it is believed the commission will announce it is ready to go ahead with the plan. The Trade Commission believes enough manufacturers are participating to insure a general price break.

Publishers made it clear today that in accepting the proposal they will not accept any plan carrying with it a promise that manufacturers guilty of violating the anti-trust laws escape punishment. At a meeting held before they saw the commission a resolution was adopted saying:

"It is the sense of those assembled that whatever may be the outcome of these pending conferences there should, in the judgement of this meeting, be no suspension or interruption of the investigation into the cases leading to the conditions now existing in the newsprint paper trade now proceeding through the agency of the Department of Justice."

After the meeting today most of the publishers signed an agreement submitted by the commission in which they pledged themselves to cut their requirements at least five per cent. below their 1916 supply of paper.

MINCHER NOT IN JAIL YET

Lenoir County Convict Guard Gets a Fourth Respite to March 10.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Kinston, N. C., Feb. 26.—E. W. Mincher did not go to jail today. The most reprieved man in the history of Lenoir county got his fourth respite from the Governor yesterday, the sheriff stated. The newest stay of execution of his one-year sentence for whipping a convict gives him his liberty at least until March 10.

Mincher's case in an unusual one. It has aroused much interest on the part of officials and others in all parts of the State. He was sentenced to 12 months in jail for inflicting corporal punishment upon a white prisoner while in the employ of the Lenoir county roads department. Judge Bond, of Edenton, was the trial judge. Witnesses against Mincher included ex-convicts. It was brought out that the lash was used on a number of occasions in enforcing discipline at the road camps. Officials never denied this, but maintained that the punishment had not been severe and that the commissioners authorized it in public resolutions.

Would the ends of justice be better served if the commissioners took Mincher's sentence upon themselves? is a question that has been asked. One official at least has replied in the affirmative.

HE'S JUST A PESSIMIST

Son of The Man Who Didn't Believe In Progress.

(Detroit Free Press)

A pessimist is a son of the man who didn't believe there was any such thing as electricity.

He is an offspring of the man who was sure that the horseless carriage would never come, and the nephew of the man who was willing to bet that men would never fly.

A pessimist is a direct descendant of the man who was sure that wireless telegraphy was a fool's dream and a submarine merely the creation of a fiction writer's brain.

The pessimist's ancestry scoffed at the telephone, the typesetting machine, the 20-story building, anaesthetics and every forward step the optimists have taken for the betterment of human life.

If the pessimists of the past had been right, men would still be living in caves and trying to get their meals with clubs and flint arrows. And evidently they died without publicly confessing their mistakes, for their pessimistic children continue to prophesy dismally that everything that is surely going to be cannot come to pass. They seem to be born with the habit and cannot get over it.

FARMER UNEARTHS TREASURE

Gold, Silver and Greenbacks Buried Under an Old Stump.

(Waynesboro, Pa., Dispatch to Philadelphia Record.)

Samuel Kline upfooted an old stump in a field on his farm and found beneath an earthen jar filled with money. It contained gold, silver and greenbacks to the value of $1,344.

The money was principally of the date of 1882. It is thought it was put in the earthen pot about 30 years ago and hid beneath a large chestnut tree that then stood on the farm now owned by Mr. Kline.

Among the money were several $1 bills of the issue of 1882, payable at the Miffin County National bank. All the money is in a good state of preservation, the gold and silver being untarnished and the bills showing no wear.

GERARD AND PARTY HAVE ARRIVED AT CORUNNA

Madrid (via Paris), Feb. 26.—Ambassador Gerard and party have arrived at Corruna, according to a message received here from the governor of Corunna this evening. The ambassador will sail from Corunna for the United States.

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Pictorial Review Patterns For April

The Very Spirit of Spring is embodied in this charming afternoon frock of beige Georgette Crepe with a smart color contrast in the girdle of striped sports silk in

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Costume 7179 25 cents

Many women have waited until spring styles were assured before buying their Spring dresses. The Pictorial Review Patterns are fashion authorities that give the authentic style information more than a month in advance. Come in and let our pattern salesgirl assist you in selecting your spring dress pattern.

New shipments of silks, trimmings and wash goods arrived yesterday.

Buster Brown Hosiery For Children

The spring weight hosiery for children came last week. The Buster Brown is regarded as one of the best for children. We show them in two qualities, both of which are durable and of pleasing appearance. Buster Brown spring hosiery for children in tan, white and black; sizes 5 1-2 to 10, for **15¢** and **35¢** a pair.

Pretty Voiles at 25c Yard

The warmer weather of the past few days has made many women think of spring and summer frocks. An interesting feature of our assortment is their freshness and newness. The designs and coloring belong absolutely to the spring season of 1917, and this feature alone should be worthy of your consideration when purchasing a new voile frock.

Colored voiles, white grounds with floral and futurist designs, 40 inches wide, priced at **25¢.**

JACKSON CASE AGAIN

To the Editor of The Star:

I noticed an article in your issue of Sunday, February 24, 1917, entitled, "Why Mr. Jackson Was Absent," and signed by Hon. George Rountree, where in the author so ingeniously arranged his verbiage as to indicate that I had been consulted relative to the continuance of Mr. Jackson's case.

Replying thereto I wish to say that I was not approached relative to the continuance of said case. Mr. Rountree passed me on Front street and said that he wished to discuss the Jackson case with me whenever he could spare the time. This is all that Mr. Rountree ever said to me about this case.

Respectfully,

EDWIN T. BURTON.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 26th.

Wreck on Coast Line.

Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 26.—Atlantic Coast Line passenger train No. 58, Montgomery to Jacksonville, was wrecked at Ponto, Ala., 66 miles southeast of Montgomery, at 10 o'clock last night. The engineer, the negro fireman, two postal clerks and four passengers were more or less injured.

YES! MAGICALLY! CORNS LIFT OUT WITH FINGERS

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This new way to rid one's feet of corns was introduced by a Cincinnati man, who says that, while freezone is sticky, it dries in a moment, and simply shrivels up the corn without inflaming or even irritating the surrounding tissue or skin.

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TOP O' THE MORNING.

As I need every moment fresh air to breathe, as the sun every moment afresh sends down its light, so it is only in direct living communication with God that my soul can be strong. I must every day have fresh grace from heaven, and I obtain it only in direct waiting upon God Himself. Take time to meet God.

—MURRAY.

Don't crisis.

List to the mocking bird!

"When you are ready, Gridley, fire!"

Of course, if you do live in the city you'll have to fight for the country.

People who never ate spuds before feel as if they are bound to have spuds now.

On President Wilson's terms, we heartily approve of a league to enforce peace.

A man who is intoxicated with his own ideas rarely ever indulges in sober thought.

A man may be on his last legs, but it could be worse. His legs might give out at the knees.

Most of us know too much about municipal politics but little or nothing about municipal problems.

Well, why should our drink not be all chaser—just Budwasher, so to speak of water? Come on in, Buddie!

We recently bought West Indian property to the value of $25,000,000. We are very well satisfied with our investment.

Some people's idea of being entertained is to sit all day in a court house and hear the lawyers wrangle about the facts in a case.

It is said that Carranza thinks he is a great diplomat. Well, he has just as much right as any of them to indulge his imagination.

Some North Carolina legislator wanted to make it unlawful for a man to have a quart in his possession, but what reason has he to suppect that a fellow would keep his bottle full?

The gentlemen of Wilmington should look into the show windows and see those lovely spring hats for the ladies. The more they are seen the more the gentlemen will appreciate the fact that the ladies will need one of the nobbiest hats in the bunch.

Those who prematurely blamed Secretary Lansing for his "verge of war" interpretation of President Wilson's address to the Senate will now appreciate the fact that he knew what he was talking about. He knew it was loaded but his critics had no idea of it.

A man paid $500,000 for a tract of land in Eastern North Carolina, and all his neighbors told him that he had thrown away his money. He smiled and this season he netted 20 per cent on his investment. He saw in it an opportunity that had been overlooked for more than 100 years. A great deal depends upon the man.

The Mexicans are free to declare that they do not want American teachers in Mexico to assist in educating their people. We needn't be offended at all, for we don't want any Mexican teachers in this country. However, one of the most polished and learned men we ever knew was a Mexican gentleman who helped to make Juarez president when Mexico won her independence.

A little more respect for each other's opinions is good for any community. When a man is intolerant and disrespectful of the opinions of others, something is wrong with his own opinion. Men often waste time in attacking the opinion of others when it should be devoted to justifying their own. The least justifiable hard feeling in the world is that over a difference of opinions, for a close analysis may reveal the fact that both opinions are mostly sunk.

TO PROTECT AMERICAN RIGHTS BY FORCE

Tense as the situation is concerning American and German relations, the sinking of the Cunard liner Laconia (British) by a German submarine brings this country near to the climax that is being anxiously awaited. Twenty-six Americans, including 6 passengers and 20 seamen were on the Laconia and altogether there were 75 passengers, making a total of 292 persons aboard, including the steamer's complement of officers and crew. Fortunately no lives are reported to have been lost, though the attack on the ship itself was a violation of international law, as contended for in all of President Wilson's diplomatic discussions with Germany.

This may not be the long-expected over act, but the fact that Germany's submarines have caused American shipping to be tied up has compelled the administration to take one more step towards asserting and protecting American rights upon the high seas. President Wilson went before a joint session of the Senate and House yesterday afternoon and in an address he asked Congress to confer upon him authority to take such steps as may be necessary to protect American lives and commerce at sea. He requested Congress to authorize him to declare a state of armed neutrality, which conveys authorization to use at his discretion the navy and armed forces of the United States in the event that American rights continue to be ruthlessly ignored contrary to the protests of the administration. The President is anxious to avoid hostilities with Germany, but he is determined to uphold the Nation's honor and to protect the lives of its citizens.

The course determined upon by the President was decided upon because Germany indicates her deliberate intention to prosecute her ruthless submarine campaign despite the protests of neutrals whose rights are involved. This campaign of frightfulness has caused American shipping to be tied up at the ports. The large steamships St. Louis, St. Paul and Kroonland are tied up in port at New York, bringing about a condition equivalent to running American commerce from the high seas. Such a situation, the President declared, is unbearable.

Armed neutrality means a non-belligerent attitude, yet prepared by force to take action in the event that war-like acts are committed by any nation against American interests. The power which Congress is asked to convey would leave it to the President to arm American merchantmen for self defense and to convoy American merchantmen by American warships, if necessary to insure their safety. The managers of the steamship lines declare their readiness to resume their sailings if their vessels are armed for self-defense.

The view is held in administration circles that this country has before maintained a state of armed neutrality without bringing on war. Anticipating the present situation, Representative Platt, of New York, has introduced in the House three bills that he urges will cover the ground. In the House a few days ago, Congressman Platt recounted that in 1798, when England and France were at war and were recklessly disregarding the rights of neutrals, the United States did not hesitate to take aggressive defensive measures, comparatively feeble, though our country was 119 years ago. The laws and measures then applied to the problem were more radical than the President asked for yesterday.

"Both England and France," said Representative Platt in his speech, "were interfering in 1798 with the rights of neutrals on the seas, but the French were doing the most damage at that time, so that our action was taken against France and not against England. One of the laws we enacted authorized American merchant men to arm for defense. Another shut off all commercial intercourse with France and provided that no ship leaving the United States should go directly or indirectly to France or to any French dependency or trade with anyone resident in France. I have taken that law and copied it almost word for word, substituting 'Germany' for 'France'. If passed now, it will shut off all commercial intercourse with Germany and will prevent any further disputes with England.

"The third law authorized war vessels of America to go out upon the high seas and capture French war vessels or French armed vessels whereever found and substituting the word 'German' for the word 'French' this bill would give our navy absolute right today to go out and capture or sink German submarines or cruisers wherever they may be found."

"After explaining that he had himself introduced these three bills with the wording slightly altered to bring them up to date and make them suit the circumstances, the New York Congressman continued:

"That is what we did in 1798, when we were a little nation of 5,000,000 people, and surely we cannot be afraid to do the same thing to protect our rights now when we are a nation of 100,000,000 people. "We could do today just exactly what we did then. We did not declare war against France. We did not even formally break off diplomatic relations with France. We had no minister in France at that time. It is true, and there was no French minister here, but there was no formal rupture of diplomatic relations.

"We were nominally neutral, although we went on the high seas and captured or sunk eighty-four armed French vessels and had two or three fights between frigates (the battleships of that day) that are famous in the annals of the American navy, notably between the 'Constitution' and the 'Insurgente' which we captured.

"In introducing the bills which would give the President authority to put a stop to the illegal and inhuman German submarine operations without declaring war, I do not mean to imply that I shall not support him if he shall decide to go further. I shall support with my whole energy any adequate measures which the President may recommend for ending the present intolerable situation."

President Wilson has done only what the honor and the interests of the country demanded. Persistent protests that are not backed up by action would belittle this country in the eyes of all the nations of the world.

BENGAL A BIG COTTON GOODS BUYER.

Mr. Ralph M. Odell, of North Carolina, one of the agents of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, United States Department of Commerce, has completed an investigation of the opportunities for selling American cotton manufactures in the presidency of Bengal, in India. Numbers of agents of the bureau have been making similar investigations of trade opportunities in various parts of the world during the past several years. It is a significant fact that many opportunities for American manufacturers have been found but few of them are utilized by the manufacturers.

In former reports the opportunities for trade in cotton goods in South American countries have been pointed out and emphasized, with the disclosure that American manufacturers are not utilizing the opportunities offered in that territory. Now comes a report just issued by the bureau on Mr. Odell's investigations which proclaims the fact that Bengal imports as much cotton goods as the whole of South America; that Bengal spends $100,000,000 a year for foreign-made cotton goods, which is 10 per cent of the world's trade in goods made of cotton, and yet, of course, American manufacturers have practically no share in it, according to the report.

As has been found to be the case in other fields where there are cotton goods opportunities for American manufacturers, Americans do not make the kind of goods required by the Bengal market, says Mr. Odell, author of the bureau's report, which is the second of a series of four to be published on the cotton goods trade in India. It contains 88 pages and is selling at the nominal price of 10 cents by the Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D. C. Until the American manufacturers make the kind of goods required in Bengal, says Mr. Odell, it is not likely that they will ever get much of the business. The value of the imports of dhoties alone amounts to 35 or 45 million dollars annually, but they have never been made in American mills. Other lines, such as saris, colored lungis, grey and white jaconets and mulls, and white nainsooks, which occupy a prominent place in the trade, are practically unknown to the majority of American manufacturers. The only important lines that offer immediate opportunities for the development of American trade, without involving radical changes in the construction of nearly similar goods, are grey, white and printed shirtings. American manufacturers would do well, however, to give their serious attention to dhoties, saris, etc., not only because of the large demand for them in Bengal but because they are used throughout India. The rising cost of production in England, which supplies nearly all of these goods, makes it possible for Americans to compete in at least some of the qualities that are imported.

As might have been expected, England has for many years supplied the great bulk of the cotton goods imported into Bengal, but Mr. Odell reports that a number of other countries have had a business in certain lines that is not to be despised. Before the war Germany supplied quantities of blankets, shawls, hosiery, miscellaneous colored piece goods, and colored yarn. Austria-Hungary also managed to do a considerable business in colored yarn and cloth, shawls, handkerchiefs and hosiery. Belgium had a share of the business in blankets, miscellaneous colored goods, shawls and handkerchiefs. Holland's sales of colored woven goods, colored yarn, white shirtings and blankets have been restricted by the war, as have Italy's sales of colored yarns and miscellaneous colored goods. Japan's trade appears to have suffered least on account of the war. It alone shows an increase, which is a significant fact and shows that Japanese manufacturers are alive to the opportunity which the curtailment of supplies from Europe hase created.

GETTING DOWN TO HARD PAN.

Great Britain has put an absolute embargo on the importation of agricultural machinery, boots and shoes of leather, hides, leather, gloves, glass manufactures, linen goods, linen yarns, cotton yarns and manufacture thereof, canned lobsters and salmon, silk skeins and manufactured silks, skins, furs, food articles containing sugar (except condensed milk), tomatoes, wines, wood, timber, books, pictures, clocks, coffee, cotton hosiery, hats, bonnets and numerous articles. This is done in order to husband the country's resources for the final struggle of the war. The people will not be allowed to buy anything that they can do without.

What effect this will have in lowering prices in America on some of the articles named it is difficult to say, but it certainly will cut off a large part of the demand on such supplies in this country. That ought to be lower prices unless they are held up in this country by trusts and combines. The probability is that during the past two years Great Britain has imported immense stocks of the articles which she now puts upon the embargo list. All her available ship tonnage is to be taken up exclusively with the importation of foodstuffs and the actual necessities of life.

The war is hard on all the peoples and the nations of Europe, and they are raking the bottom of the barrel, so to speak. They are approaching the day of exhaustion, hence from now to the end of the war it will depend on which side becomes so completely exhausted that it will be compelled to yield, as the South did at Appomattox when all her resources had been used up in war.

With all the nations of Europe exhausted at the close of the war, their purchasing power will be limited. What optimist, therefore, can expect the after-war period to be one for money making? If the world can make a living and avoid famine, it will be lucky. What the South ought to do under the circumstances is up to the people of this entire section. War is getting all of us down to hard pan.

CATTLE MEN COMING.

Constant agitation of the adaptabilities for cattle raising in North Carolina has attracted the attention of Western cattlemen since they have become assured that we are to have packing house markets in the State. Packing houses make the opportunity a complete one and by reason of the nearby stock markets that are to be available this fall a most desirable class of home seekers will be attracted to this State. Orange county's advantages are to be looked into by a number of farmers from Iowa and with reference to this opportunity to secure settlers for that county, the Durham Herald says:

"If the Western cattle raisers and stock breeders, who are coming to Durham to make an inspection of the conditions here relative to stock raising, really mean business, Durham county will greet them with an open hand. The farmers of this county are today thinking more of stock raising than before. They are ready to be shown the fine points about the business. They want to make a beginning, but are not anxious to turn loose cotton and tobacco, out of which they have been making a living—and in most instances little else—to try something they are not familiar with. Nothing would do Durham county more good than a colony of stock breeders from the West. The county, say Western visitors who have visited here, is ideally suited to the growing of stock. The climate is mild, the land reasonably responsive to cultivation and the market at one's door."

If the Westerners settle in Orange they will demonstrate the essential thing to do in order to make animal husbandry a success. This will be the production of forage and grain crops, the erection of silos and preparations for adequate prasturage. The pasture question can be easily settled in Orange and most any other county in North Carolina, once the farmers realize the fact that more pasture crops can be grown in North Carolina than can be grown in the West. Pastures are made and it is easy enough to make them when farmers know how. Pastures and silos constitute the economic feature of the livestock industry, and it is here that they will make complete all the climatic advantages that are to be found in North Carolina.

We have the soil and climate all over North Carolina for forage and pasture propositions, and Eastern North Carolina is especially adaptable along that line, since it has been demonstrated that 34 strictly forage crops grow to perfection in the Cape Fear country.

When live cattlemen in the West find out all this they will begin to come to North Carolina in large groups if they can get lands in large areas for community settlements.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Wilmington Star says: "South Carolina papers are complaining that their legisiture hasn't done anything yet. Well, maybe that's a sign that the legislature decided to think this time." That's a whole lot better than complaining because they had done something.—Jacksonville Times-Union.

Bladen county is rapidly coming to the front, and the recent visit of Bion H. Butler to that fine old county has put it before the people in the right light. That county is located in a good farming section, and it is made up of a good stock of the best people to be found in the State. Bladen is among the coming counties that have recently voted bond issues for the construction of better roads in several townships, and the schools are being made better with longer terms to go hand in hand with the roads. Stock raising is another industry that has now struck that county, and being right near packing houses at Wilmington and Acme, the business will be a great asset to all the country. There are several beautiful lakes in Bladen and they add pleasure from year to year to all people. White Lake is known far and near for its beauty, fine fishing grounds and for bathing. Thousands visit those favored spots each summer and enjoy the resorts. All around Bladen there are other splendid counties, and they are catching the fever of progress and are marching forward at a rapid pace.—Rocky Mount Telegram.

Visitors to the Capitol have been astonished to see for some days notices on the doors of both the hall of the House of Representative and the Senate chamber stating that no one was allowed in the side lobbies of the House or Senate without a card of admission. Applications for such cards are to be made to the Speaker or the President of the Senate. The olny exceptions to the rule, as we understand it, are in favor of ex-members, State officers, and employes. So far as we remember there has been no such rule enforced since 1900, and we are free to say that we do not believe there should be such a rule, unless "no admission" applies to the public generally. If "admission by card" is the rule for the non-office holding class of people, then only the favored few, only those who know how to get at the Speaker or President of the Senate, will be admitted. And a visit any day either to the House or Senate will show that there are numbers of private citizens in the lobby. Frankly one of the doorkeepers said the other day that he could not enforce the rule, that members would come outside and take back into the House and Senate friends whom they met. If there is to be any admission, then this exclusive "admission only by card" ought to be cut out. Even with a crowd in the lobbies Speaker Murphy and Lieutenant Governor Gardner ought to be able to have order preserved. That is what thew were elected for. We have seen visitors turned away from the doors of the House and Senate who had just as much right to be in the lobbies as numbers of men whom we saw in them. This matter of distinction between men in admission to the halls of the General Assembly of the State does not sit well with North Carolinians. Shut out all who apply for admission or shut out none while there is room should be the rule.—Raleigh News and Observer.

Boy Fell in River Sunday.

Rudolph Hardwick, aged six, was saved from drowning in the Cape Fear river at the foot of Princess street, about 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon by the prompt action of his two companions, and Seaman Nick Brown, of the coast guard cutter Seminole. The youngster was playing on a flat moored at the foot of Princess street and attempted to step from the flat to a boat nearby. As he stepped on the boat it shot from under him precipitating him into the water. His two companions tried to pull him from the river but lacked the strength, as they were both small. Seaman Brown then came to the rescue and pulled the boy from the river.

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SPLENDID CHORAL SINGING

First Part of Oratorio Heard by Large and Appreciative Audience at St. Andrew's Church.

The Wilmington Choral Society in its initial appearance before the public in the rendition of the first part of Mendelssohn's stately oratorio, "Elijah," at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church last evening was greeted by a large and very appreciative audience. The singing by the principal vocalists as well as by the entire chorus under the direction of Mr. E. H. Munson, was magnificent and is worthy of the highest praise.

Seldom does a Wilmington audience have the opportunity of an hour of such splendid music as was presented last night. Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure voiced the sentiment of the large assemblage in expressing his sincere and cordial appreciation of the presentation of the oratorio, which he declared was a rare treat for the music loving people of this city as well as affording an excellent opportunity to train the general public to a better appreciation of classic music that is worth while.

"I am glad that it has been possible for the Wilmington Choral Society to use this hall for the first time after it has been remodelled for just such occasions as this," said the beloved minister, "and I desire to thank one and all of you for giving us this opportunity to hear such excellent music. I think you deserve not only our thanks but that of the entire city of Wilmington, which may well count itself fortunate in having such a fine musical organization."

It furnished a fitting close for the evening when the audience rose and with the chorus leading sang a verse of the National anthem. Director Munson stated that it had been the custom during the rehearsals to sing "The Star Spangled Banner." As the words of the song were poured out in a mighty volume from nearly a thousand throats, it sent a thrill of patriotism through the assemblage that was indeed inspiring.

The solo parts in the oratorio were taken by Mr. J. F. Harris, bass; Mrs. George S. Boylan, soprano; Mr. J. R. Eddy, tenor; and Miss Anna Graham Harris, contralto. These were supported by a chorus of 30 voices, which under the direction of Director Munson sang with most pleasing effect. Mr. William G. Robertson as accompanist aided very materially in making the presentation an artistic success.

The opening section of the oratorio was sung by Mr. J. F. Harris, Jr., whose splendid bass voice showed to fine advantage. The duet, "Lord Bow Thine Ear to Our Prayer," by Mrs. Boylan and Miss Harris was most beautifully rendered while the recitative, "Ye People, Read Your Hearts," by Mr. J. R. Eddy was another equally excellent feature.

The simple melody of the selection, "For He Shall Give His Angels Charge Over Thee," was beautifully rendered by a double quartette composed of Mrs. Boylan and Miss Foard, sopranos; Miss Post and Miss Cavenaugh, altos; Mr. Wilson and Mr. Harrell, tenors, and Mr. Fenley and Mr. Murphy, bassos.

Miss Harris had several of the solo numbers in which she captivated her audience with her splendid contralto voice while the closing duet, "What Have I To Do With Thee O Man of God," sung by Mrs. Boyland and Mr. Harris, was one of the best parts of the evening's programme, both singers showing themselves to be real artists.

The singing by the chorus composed of 30 talented musicians was superbly done. The voices blended together in perfect harmony and every movement of the director was followed with the utmost precision. The effects or idly because of a lock of an organ to idly because of a lack or an organ to aid in orchestral effects. Instead of being a hindrance, this enabled the chorus better to show the strength and power of their voices. Too much praise cannot be given the chorus for its magnificent work.

At the close of the programme, Director Munson announced that the next part of the oratorio would be presented in the new auditorium of Grace Methodist church in three or four weeks. The initial appearance of the Society was under the auspices of the Woman's Missionary Society of St. Andrew's church. The presence of the large audience—perhaps the largest and certainly as large as has ever gathered in the auditorium—was a fine tribute to the Society. It was necessary to secure additional chairs to seat the audience while quite a number had to stand in the hall.

Director E. H. Munson and those appearing in the chorus are to be congratulated for their splendid work. Mr. Munson has been untiring in his efforts to train the organization and has had the cordial co-operation of nearly two score trained singers. The triumph achieved last night is a fine tribute to their efforts.

MINISTERS HAVE MEETING

Attention is Called to Sunday Work on Custom House.

At the regular weekly meeting of the Wilmington Ministers' Association, which was held in the Y. M. C. A. building yesterday morning, attention was called to the fact that work on the new United States customs house is being carried on on Sundays. No definite action was taken in the matter, however.

No papers were read at the meeting yesterday on account of the absence of several members. Vice President J. F. Reynolds presided at the meeting in the absence of the president, Rev. W. M. Baker, and Mr. Odis B. Hinnant acted as secretary in the absence of Mr. J. B. Huntington.

To Have Church Commencement.

As announced last week the Central Baptist church, colored, will hold the first church commencement ever held in the city tonight. The occasion will be under the direction of Rev. D. B. Mdedona, the pastor, and members of the church. All persons who donated any amount in the recent grand rally will receive church diplomas. It is expected that Rev. Dr. John Jeter Hurt will be present to deliver the commencement address, and deliver the diplomas. Rev. J. A. Kirkland, who has just arrived in the city from Raleigh, will make the introductory address.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

EXTRA COSTS ON TAXES

City Tax Collector Anounces That An Additional Half Per Cent Will Be Tacked on After Thursday.

Now know all ye delinquent tax payers that the city government is determined to collect all the shekels that have eluded the collectors, and that under the existing statutes rightfully belong to them, and with this end in view it is announced that on and after March 1, which will be Thursday of this week, there will be an additional one half per cent charged on all unpaid taxes, which with the one half per cent that was added on the first day of the present month, makes a total of one per cent.

Further be it known that only a few days will elapse after this second half per cent goes into effect before the collector expects to gather his hordes and go forth among the by ways and through all the paths and trails of the city and gather unto his coffers by means of the law, all delinquent taxes. Therefore, as a word to the wise is sufficient, it will be advisable for all who owe their taxes to go straightway and settle up.

Although the anouncement from the office of the city tax collector during the closing week of January, that a half per cent. cost would be added to all taxes unpaid by the first day of February, brought a rush to the office during the last two days of the month, and in spite of the fact that there have been a few stragglers who have paid up during the month of February, there are still a considerable number of citizens who are yet in arrears.

The officials feel that they have been patient enough with the delinquents, and that the time is rapidly approaching when it will be the moment to act and no longer warn. However, a few more days still remain in which those who are still among the backsliders can come across with their coin and avoid the extra half per cent cost that will go in effect next Thursday.

If those who are behind do not respond to this final warning, the officials will probably take some drastic steps to get them in line. However, they are confident that a great majority of the delinquents will pay up either today or tomorrow.

WELL KNOWN BRUNSWICK MAN PASSES SUDDENLY AT HOME

Ex-Sheriff D. R. Walker Died Last Night at Town Creek.

Ex-Sheriff D. R. Walker, of Brunswick county, passed away suddenly at his home at Town Creek last night after an illness of only a few hours from acute indigestion. He suffered an attack in the afternoon and a Wilington physician was summoned but his illness was not considered serious and the death came as a great shock to his relatives and a host of friends.

Ex-Sheriff Walker was a native of Brunswick county and was about 62 years old. He was one of the prominent citizens of his section and was well known in Wilmington. He was of sturdy stock, noted for his honesty and straightforward character. He was a consistent member of Zion Methodist chuhch, deeply developed to his family and a believer in industry. He was a planter and farmer of means in his community.

Surviving besides his wife and two younger sons are the following children: Register of Deeds W. H. Walker, of Southport, Mr. Dan Walker, of Town Creek; Mrs. J. Dillard Bellamy, Mrs. W. S. McKeithan and Mrs. J. L. Knox, of El Paso, and Mrs. E. V. Evans, of Belvedere. Surviving also are one brother, Mr. Lindsay Walker, of Town Creek, and two sisters, Mrs. Frank Schulken, of Vineland, and Mrs. G. H. Cannon, of Town Creek. He was an uncle of Mrs. C. L. Dickinson and Mrs. W. D. McCaig, of Wilmington. The bereaved family will have the tender sympathy of a host of friends.

The funeral arrangements had not been made last night.

FORD CAR STOLEN FROM IN FRONT OF STAR OFFICE

Was A New Car Belonging to Mr. J. D. Walker, No. 2002 Creasy Avenue.

A newly purchased five passenger Ford touring car ownad by Mr. J. D. Walker, No. 2002 Creasy avenue, was stolen from Chestnut street in front of the office of The Morning Star, about 11 o'clock last night and at an early hour this morning had not been recovered.

As soon as he discovered his loss, Mr. Walker notified the police and members of the force together with County Officer H. Mack Godwin went on the trail of the thief at once but without result. The officers are inclined to believe that it is another prank of the "joy riders" who have been perniciously active during the past several weeks in "borrowing" cars.

Last Saturday night, a Ford car belonging to Mr. M. H. French, of Mareboro county, S. C., was taken from Chestnut street only a few feet from where Mr. Walker's car disappeared last night and while the officers were searching for it was replaced in almost exactly the same spot from which it was taken.

On the Sunday previous, while the owners were attending religious services in the First Baptist Church, another Ford car was stolen, and was found next morning on the Carolina Beach road near the city. A few weeks ago some one stole Mr. W. P. Cline's car, and after taking a ride, drove it into a tree on the turnpike near Winter Park. Three negroes, all youngsters, were later arrested and conferred to this theift, however.

ATTENDED ANNUAL BANQUET

Grend Master C. L. Pridgen One of Guests at Dinner in Alexandria.

Dr. C. L. Pridgen, Grand Master of the North Carolina Grand Lodge of Masons, has returned from Alexandria, Va., where he atended the annual dinner of the George Washington Memorial association on last Thursday. Washington was a Mason and this dinner is annually given in his honor by the Grand Master of the Virginia Grand Lodge. Many distinguished public men were guests at the dinner, which was quite an elaborate affair.

Dr. Pridgen also visited Washington while away and called on Senator Simmons and other North Carolina legislators at the National Capital.

—The W. L. I. have completed their arrangements for the trip to the inaugural exercises at Washington next month. They will in all probability be the only North Carolina military unit to take part in the parade.

HOLD CONFERENCE AT WARSAW

Pastors, Deacons and Elders of Wilmington Presbytery Will Meet Thursday and Friday

The second conference of elders and deacons of the Wilmington Presbytery will be held at Warsaw on Thursday and Friday of this week. The two great causes of evangelism and stewardship will be considered by the conference, which will be attended by all the pastors and many of the leading laymen of the Presbytery.

There are about 425 ministers, elders and deacons in the Presbytery and everyone of them is urged to be present. Those who have not yet done so are asked to write Mr. J. D. Swinson at Warsaw, telling him when to expect them. An interesting programme has been arranged for the occasion as follows:

Thursday.

8:30 P. M. Opening sermon by Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D.
Organization.
Plans for permanent organization.

Friday.

9:30 A. M. Service of song.
Assembly's plan of finance by Rev. W. W. Morton.
The E. M. C. against old way; which will best develop the spirit of Christian stewardship by Rev. Andrew J. Howell.
Ten minutes of general discussion.
The tithe, the minimum of Christian giving by Mr. W. H. Sprunt.
How to prepare for and conduct an E. M. C. by Mr. Newton Fisher.
Round tabel conference, conducted by Rev. J. M. Wells, D. D.
The direct results of the Every member canvass (a) on church finances; (b) on the canvasser; (c) on the canvassed; (d) on the united life of the church.
Recess.
2:15 P. M. Service of song.
The needs for aggressive evangelism in our Presbytery by Rev. Robert King.
The pastor his own evangelist by Rev. W. P. M. Currie.
The need for the special evangelist by Rev. P. L. Clark.
Personal work by Rev. J. W. Purcell, D. D.
The elder as an evangelist: (a) in his church by Mr. Dozier Latta; (b) in the Presbytery by Mr. C. S. Clark.
How to prepare for a series of evangelistic services by Rev. William Black, D. D.
7:30 P. M. Song service.
An exangelistic sermon by Rev. J. M. Wells, D. D.
Adjournment.

CIVIL SERVICE POSITIONS

Government Announces Large Number of Examinations To Be Held Soon.

The Civil Service Commission announces a large number of examinations service. Full particulars may be secured from the Civil Service Commission at Washington or from the secretary of the Civil Service Board in Wilmington.

Applications will be received until March 14 for the following positions: Laboratory Apprentice, male, $540 to $660 a year; apprentice plate cleaner, transferrer and engraver, male, $500 to $700 a year; fireman in the Departmental service $600 to $720 a year.

Applications will be received until March 20th for the following positions: Engineer of tests, male, salary $4,000 for experimental work in aero motor engineering; inspector of gauges, male, salary $2,000 to $2,400.

Examinations will be held in Wilmington on March 21 and 22 for the following positions: Aid in the Bureau of Standards, male, $600 to $720, a field station aid, male, $720 to $1,000 a year; junior engineer, male, $1,080 to $1,200 a year; civil engineer and superintendent of construction, male, salary $1,500 a year; junior mechanical engineer, male, salary $1,000 a year.

Y. M. C. A. BEGINS CAMPAIGN.

Will Endeavor to Raise Membership to 850 Mark.

The directors of the Young Men's Christian Association have fired their first gun in the campaign to increase the membership of the association. The directors also intend to raise about $5,000 within the next 30 days, and letters have been mailed to all the members asking their co-operation.

It is pointed out in the letters that the cost of the regular building work during the past year was $10,500, not including the apartment cost. With a membership of 700 it is found that the cost per member will be about $15 each. All the old members are requested to aid in bringing the membership up to the 850 mark, which will materially reduce the cost to each member.

WITH THE RECORDER

George Herring Was Worst Sufferer Yesterday Morning.

George Herring, colored, who drew three months on the roads for an affray with a deadly weapon, was the worst sufferer at yesterday's session of the Recorder's court. Luther Hayes, who was indicted with Herring for the same offense, was suffering from a wound received in the rumpus, so judgment was suspended without cost in his case.

J. D. Sprunt and M. Gross, white, and John Ballard and Richard Melton, all paid the costs for violating the driving ordinances. N. D. Ramfrae submitted to a charge of being implicated in an affray, but C. L. Brown, also connected with the affair, had his case continued.

DEATH OF MRS. MAYER

Acme Woman Passed Away at Local Hospital Early Yesterday Morning

Mrs. Bertha Mayer, of Acme, possed away at the James Walker Memorial Hospital shortly after 5 o'clock yesterday morning, following a lingering illness of sometime. She was 38 years old and is survived by her husband and several children. The remains were taken on the steamer, Themia, to Acme yesterday aftranoon, where the interment will be made this morning in the family burying ground.

Rooster Fights Image.

A big red rooster fighting his image in the windshield of a big sedan on Princess street furnished considerable amusement for a number of bystanders on the street yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock. Sir Chanticleer was determined that he would wreak vengeance on the strange monarch who bantered from behind the glass, and it was only after the owner of the car had attacked him with a volley of brickbats that he finally made a sullen retreat.

SUNDAY LABOR UNAVOIDABLE

Engineer in Charge of Construction of Customs House Says It Is Sometimes Necessary.

That it will be necessary during the next two or three months to employ Sunday labor on the new United States customs house in order to finish its construction within the time required and in order to proceed advantageously with the work, was the statement made by Mr. Mason Garber, engineer in charge of the work, to a representative of The Star last night.

Mr. Garber further stated that no man was made to work at the custom house on the Sabbath against his own volition and that work on Sunday was carried on only at such times as is necessary to insure the proper progress of the work and to prevent a number of employes from being laid off on the following Monday for several hours.

The chief engineer of Wilmington's newest and finest public building stated that the contractors for the construction of the customs house are under contract to finish the work by a certain time, and that there is a heavy penalty for each day that the contract runs over. He also stated that Sunday labor is occasionally required in order to escape the heavy demurrage put on cars containing their material.

As the customs house is being built under a contract with the United States government and on a government reservation, it is not subject to the Sunday labor laws of the State or county.

According to Mr. Garber, only a few men are worked at such times as it is absolutely necessary to work on Sunday, and these men are paid a bonus for such labor. It is sometimes the case that if no work is done on Sunday that a large part of the men regularly employed may be thrown off for several hours on the following Monday. In short, he is of the opinion 'that a stitch in time, saves nine," so to speak, and it is simply a case of work on some Sundays or spend a great part of the following day in preparing to carry on the work, a delay that is dangerous, where the contractors are under a heavy penalty, as is the case with the local customs house.

The Wilmington Ministers' Association had the subject of Sunday work on the customs house under consideration at the regular weekly meeting yesterday but took no action either of approval or disapproval. However, the ministers expressed themselves as opposed to Sunday work except in cases where it is absolutely necessary.

"A DAUGHTER OF THE GODS" TO BE SEEN IN WILMINGTON.

Contract Closed for Exhibiting Annette Kellerman Feature Film.

The announcement by Manager Geo. W. Bailey, that Wilmington is to be one of the favored few among the smaller cities who are to get a sight of William Fox's tremendous spectacle "A Daughter of the Gods," on its first nation-wide tour, is probably the most interesting theatrical announcement of the season. Arrangements were perfected by wire yesterday morning for its presentation, with its mammoth symphony orchestra for one day, matinee and night, Wednesday, March 7th.

Of all the great film spectacle shows appealing to popular favor few have enjoyed greater popularity for the short time it has been before the public than "A Daughter of the Gods," the immense Fox fantasy starring the famous woman Annette Kellerman in the title role. It may safely be said that not since the advent of "The Birth of a Nation" has America been so stirred over a film spectacle. The first public view of this imposing cinema was at the Lyric theatre in New York City, October 17th, 1916, and it is still enjoying a tremendous run there after more than 250 performances.

Beauty and gorgeousness is the one keynote of the film from beginning to end. Magnificent scenic vesture lends itself to the disporting of many sea nymphs, to vast throngs of people and to a spectacular action that belies word description. The cost of the production of "A Daughter of the Gods" has been variously estimated at from $300,000 to a million and a quarter dollars. Certain it is that it cost a big sum for it is stated that in its production a total of 223,000 feet (44 miles) of film were exposed, this vast footage being cut to 10,000 faultless, flawless feet, as displayed to the public, the cutting and assembling operation alone having consumed three months' time. Seven photographers worked simultaneously from different angles on most of the scenes, and a company of more than 3,000 spent eight months on the beautiful Caribbean Islands in making the picture, three months having been spent in equipping and constructing a tropical city of concrete, steel and staff at a cost of $250,000. In the final scenes of the production this magnificent city was destroyed in its entirety by fire as one of the bits of realism in the film story.

William Fox built an independent municipality on the island, with 20,000 inhabitants, its laws and justice administered by William Fox, organized and maintained with hospitals, courts of justice and every other adjunct of a modern city. The total number of actors and actresses utilized in the production was 21,218; largest number in a single scene, 19,744; in one scene 1,200 children were seen, 200 mermaids were employed in the spectacular sea scenes.

Annette Kellermann, as Anita, the "beautiful" wanders through wood and desert, Arabic streets and gaudy harems and best of all she disports on wave-lashed reefs and in placid pools. She is supported by what is said to be the biggest company of actors and actresses ever gathered together to make a film production, not excepting even Griffith's mighty "Birth of a Nation." Special music score interprets the action of the film, rendered by a superb symphony orchestra.

THE DIVISION COMMANDER PRAISES SECOND REGIMENT

General Morton Writes Letter To Col. John VanB. Metts.

General Morton divisoion commander of the National Guard on the Mexican border, is much pleased with the record made by the Second North Carolina Regiment on border patrol, according to special dispatches from El Paso, Tex., and on Sunday sent the following letter to Col. John VanB. Metts:

"During the brief time that you and your regiment have been on border guard, I have observed effective work and good judgment of commanders at every point that I have visited and have no doubt that the same good work is being done at other points. I wish to commend you and your troops, including cavalry, for this satisfactory condition and to express regret that n oaccount of the recent of orders for muster out of your regiment, your regiment could not complete a full tour. The second had many ticklish situations to deal with in its short tour of service and handled all of them well."

General Morton praised Col. Metts and Maj. W. S. Privott very highly.

MAJOR GREIG TO FT. CASWELL.

Former Instructor-Inspector Ordered to Cape Fear Defenses for Duty.

According to army orders published in the Washington Post of Sunday, Major Alexander Greig, Jr., formerly assigned to the North Carolina Artillery Corps of the National Guard, as inspector-instructor, and who was recently relieved by Capt. W. G. Peace, has been ordered to Fort Caswell for duty.

Major Greig during the years that he was connected with the North Carolina militia made many friends in Wilmington, who will be glad to learn that he is to be located near the city in the future. Captain Paul Herman, who has been on duty at Fort Caswell for several years, has been ordered to report for duty to the defenses of the Delaware, and has already left for his new post accompanied by his wife and child. Captain Herman is also well and favorably known in Wilmington.

Real Estate Tranfers.

The following deeds were filed for record yesterday in the office of the Register of Deeds: John H. Mack to Josph McFarland, et al, to the trustees of Excelsior Lodge, No. 11, Knights of Gideon; for $2,500, lot on the northeast corner of Tenth and Castle streets, 42 1-2 by 67 feet in size; Mary L. Mercer to Walter C. Branch, for $150 and other considerations, the Mercer place in East Wilmington; Stephen Simpson, Eliza Larkins and Catherine Northrop, all of Brooklyn, N. Y., to Thomas Hooper, for $50 and other considerations, lot at Hilton on Swann street; H. W. Konig and wife to G. H. Moore, for $1,000, lot on the east side of Seventh street, 60 feet south of Howard, 30 by 150 feet in size; C. C. Loughlin, trustee, to the New Hanover Trust Co., for $100 and other considerations, lot at Carolina Beach; Manhattan Company to H. J. Gerdes, for $100 and other considerations, lot on the east side of 16th street, 110 feet south of Castle.

March 1st and 2nd

Deposits made with us on or before the above dates draw interest from March 1st, and will receive credit for Four months interest on July 1st.

Make an effort to lay aside something now. It is a good time to begin.

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Our Regular Interest Quarter Will Begin on March 1st. Deposits Made on or Before March 2nd, Will Receive Three Months Interest at June 1st Quarter.

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S.S.S. Keeps It Always Fit

Wash Fabrics for Spring and Summer Wear

This is the time when you should lay in a full season's supply of these wash fabrics and especially so, since it will be impossible to buy them at the present price later—almost every piece of wash goods we are now showing would cost us more than we ask you—if we had to buy them today. We invite you to share in the profit of our foresight and do it now.

15c Light Colored Percales, 36 inches wide, at . . 10c	27-inch Printed and Striped Voiles, at 12½c
20c Best Quality Percales, light or dark shades, 18c	27-inch Printed Rice Flake Cloth, at 15c
20c Scotch Zephyr Ginghams, 32 inches, at . . . 18c	27-inch Woven Tissues, at 10c
32-inch Renfrew Ginghams, new Spring patterns 15c	36-inch Mercerized Colored Voiles, at 25c
15c Spring Dress Ginghams, 27 inches wide . 12½c	36inch Short Stripe Skirtings, at 29c
20c Striped Ripplettes, 27 inches wide, at . . . 15c	50c Mercerized Striped Voiles, at 39c
25c Serpentine Crepes, plain or fancy patterns 15c	40-inch White Voile, short lengths, at . . . 12½c
12½c Dress Ginghams, 27 inches wide, at . . . 10c	40-inch White Organdy, short lengths, at . . . 12½c
20c Romper Cloth, 20 inches wide, at 15c	36-inch Panama Check, 15c value, at 12½c
25c Galatea Cloth, plain or stripes, at 20c	36-inch White Linene Suitings, at 10c
15c Plain Chambrays, all colors, at 12½c	27-inch White Pique, 20c value, at 15c
25c Plain Imported Chambrays, at 18c	36-inch Middy Twills, 20c value, at 15c
20c Striped Galateas, 27 inches, at 15c	15c Checked Dimity, 27 inches, at 12½c
	40-inch White Organdy, 25c value, at 19c

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

The mission study class of Grace Methodist church will meet this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the church.

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Mrs. E. L. Dickie and son, W. L. Dickie, of Lynchburg, Va., are visiting Dr. and Mrs. H. G. Dickie, No. 17 South Ninth street.

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Miss Kate Horner, of Charlotte, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Sallie Williams on South Sixth street.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Godwin, Jr., of Point Caswell, spent yesterday in the city. They were guests at the Wilmington.

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The B. Y. P. U. of Calvary Baptist church will have a business and social meeting in the church building at 8 o'clock this evening.

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Miss Ida Hankins, missionary from Korea, will conduct the meeting of the Epworth League at Trinity Methodist church at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening. The public is invited to attend.

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Circles No. 1 and No. 2 of Fifth Avenue Methodist church will meet at the home of Mrs. M. J. Fowler on South Fifth street, this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

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Mrs. C. E. Marvin, of Loris, S. C., who has been visiting relatives and friends in the city for the past several weeks, has returned to her home.

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Mr. Frank Montgomery, a student at A. & M. College, is spending sometime with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Montgomery.

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Mrs. D. O. Daniels ,of Southport, is visiting her sister, Mrs. L. V. Martin, No. 15 North Seventh street.

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The many friends of Miss Florence Bonitz, principal of the Immanuel Kindergarten, will be glad to learn that she is rapidly improving from a recent illness.

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Mrs. J. N. Rice, and little daughter, of Portland, Oragon, are visiting Mrs. Winstead, No. 407 Chestnut street. Mrs. Rice was formerly Miss Annette Morton, of this city.

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Fayetteville Observer: "Bishop Thomas C. Darst, of Wilmington, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Rose at their home on Haymount. Bishop Darst will be in the city till Wednesday."

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The Philathea class of the First Baptist church will hold its regular monthly meeting at the home of Miss Claire Lathrop, No. 213 North Fifth avenue, on the evening of Thursday, March 1, at 8 o'clock.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Stone returned to the city yesterday from a visit to McDonalds, N. C. Mrs. Stone went to Richmond last week to return home with Mr. Stone's sister, Miss Hattie Stone, who had been in a hospital for treatment.

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The Lydia Yates Bible Class, of Grace Methodist Church will have a barbecue dinner at the Y. M. C. A. Friday from 12:30 until 2:30 o'clock. A very reasonable charge will be made for the meal and it is hoped that a large number will patronize the class on this day.

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The missionary department of the Epworth League of Fifth Avenue Methodist church will give an attractive programme at the regular meeting tonight at 8 o'clock in which about 25 members of the league will participate. All members and their friends are cordially invited to attend. The League Bible class will meet immediately after the league adjourns.

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BOYS' BRIGADE VETERANS ENJOYED OYSTER ROAST

Seventeen of the original and oldest members of the Boys' Brigade hied themsedves down to Carolina Beach last night, and enjoyed an oyster roast given by Mr. Joseph J. Loughlin, also one of the original mebers of the Brigade. The trip was made in automobiles. The function was entirely informal and the "boys" sent a very pleasant evening relaling reminiscences and stories of their youth.

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PROGRAMME OF FIRST AID LECTURES FOR THE WEEK.

Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, Dr. Codington's fifth lecture—Wounds. Dr. Green's first lecture of a new series. Dr. Green has promised to take charge of this course though he may be compelled on occasions to provide a substitute when unavoidably detained.

Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock: Dr. Hart delivers his second lecture. Dr. Tankersley begins a new series.

All classes meet in the High School in the class rooms up stairs. The lectures are free and all are welcome.

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Roseboro, N. C., Feb. 26.—Mrs. L. B. McDaniel charmingly entertained a number of her friends Tuesday afternoon in honor of Miss Pauline Herring, of Raleigh. Much amusement was furnished from "Progressive Up Jinks." Mrs. J. A. Barker received the highest score and was awarded a box of stationery. A guest prize of bonbons was presented the guest of honor, Miss Herring. The color scheme of pink and white was effectively carried out in the decorations and refreshments. Dainty refreshments were served in three courses. Those present were Misses Pauline Herring, Constance Holden, Ossie Butler, Bessie West, Mrs. Troy L. Herring, Mrs. George Hall, Mrs. J. A. Barker, Mrs. W. O. Mills, Mrs. H. E. Lance, Mrs. D. W. Tart, Mrs. Jim Hall, Mrs. O. E. Underwood and Mrs. C. C. Tart.

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AN IMPORTANT MEETING OF THE SPECIAL AID SOCIETY.

There will be an important meeting of the Wilmington chapter of the National Aid Society in the High School chapel, Wednesday at 3:30 P. M., to be followed at 4 o'clock by Dr. Codington's lectures on First Aid and Dr. Green's new series.

The Special Aid meeting will be very brief and the following programme will be followed closely:

Report of the Publicity committee on the Register.

Report of representative to the Community Committee on Co-Ordination.

Report on the committee of Arrangements for a mass meeting.

Consideration of a class in telegraphy.

Report on Juvenile Patriotism.

The meetings are open to all and the society will be glad to have you join the organization as a 25 cent member or at the $1 a year subscription rate.

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A COLONIAL ENTERTAINMENT GIVEN AT SCOTT'S HILL.

Scott's Hill, N. C., Feb. 26.—Mrs. R. K. Bryan gave an entertainment to her school on the 22nd in honor of George Washington. The "real" George and Martha were there. Little Mary Dell Sidbury, dressed in the exact costume as worn by Mrs. Washington in colonial days, was unique and attractive. Master Willie Edens was a typical George Washington with his wig, spike tail coat, knee pants with silver buckles, slippers and lace ruffles on neck and sleeves.

Marches with flags, recitations and songs, typical of the day, also the red, white and blue decorations, were the chief features. The refreshments were also in red, white and blue with the little red hatchets at every place as souvenirs. Everyone seemed happy and went home voting Mrs. Bryan an ideal hostess.

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THE RED CROSS MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN STARTS THURSDAY

The Wilmington chapter of the American Red Cross Society will make a special effort Thursday, Friday and Saturday to increase its membership, looking to a more effective organization to be at the command of the National government should it be needed in the present crisis.

Two army tents will be pitched upon the postoffice green over which will wave a Red Cross flag and they will be in charge of the local Red Cross. A bevy of young women dressed in the regulation uniform of Red Cross nurses will assist in the registration of members while the Boy Scouts will also have an important part in the campaign. A bugler from the coast guard cutter Seminole will aid in giving a real military effect to the surroundings.

All members of the Red Cross are invited to visit the tents and volunteer for service in the registration and to give information. Red Cross buttons will be for sale at ten cents each and all members are urged to buy one and wear it in order to be more effectively with the Red Cross work.

The membership committee in charge of the arrangements is composed of Mrs. W. L. Parsley, chairman; Mrs. B. Solomon, Mrs. J. T. Kink, Miss Lucile Murchison and Mrs. M. L. Stover.

WELL ATTENDED MEETING

R. D. Dickson, Esq., Made Interesting Address to Speakers' Club

The Speakers' Club had an exceptionally well attended meeting last night at the club room of the Y. M. C. A. A special feature of the programme was the address by R. D. Dickson, Esq., of this city. He spoke in a very interesting and entertaining manner about the value of effective public speaking. One of the things which Mr. Dickson emphasized was the fact that every man who is striving to be of service to the community in which he lives should know something of the fundamental principles of public speaking. He said that while public speaking itself cannot be classed a a profession, yet it is a necessary adjunct to every profession—particularly to the minister, the lawyer, and the statesman.

Mr. Dickson brought out that there are two fundamental requisites for a good speaker. He must be armed with facts and he must possess a good delivery. The man who has something really forth while to say will seldom have to worry much about his form of delivery, although practice along the latter line wil prove to be a material aid toward success as a forceful public speaker.

At the close of Mr. Dickson's address, the club extended to hm a rising vote of thanks for his very helpful and interesting lecture. Dr. E. S. Bulluck conducted the usuel class in elocution.

Next week the club will hold a debate upon the following query: "Resolved that in the best interests of all concerned, the negro should be encouraged to remain in the South." This promises to be a very interesting debate. Mr. K. B. Knudsen will be captain of the affirmative team and Emmett Bellamy, Esq., will be captain of the negative team. All men in the city who are interested in this kind of work are cordially invited to attend this meeting.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS INSTALLED ON A NUMBER OF CROSSINGS.

Warn Motorists and Others to Keep to the Right on the Streets.

Small white posts, surmounted by red flags and bearing in red letters on their sides the warning "Go to the Right," made their appearance in the center of the street at a number of the busier crossings in the city yesterday, as a warning to the drivers of automobiles and other vehicles to obey the traffic laws.

The new signs have been installed at Front and Chestnut, Front and Market and Third and Market streets. They are not fastened to the pavement, but are set up on an iron base. Should a vehicle collide with them the signs will not be injured as they will be knocked over and out of the way. The base, however, is large enough to insure the sign remaining upright unless subject to an unusual blow.

A number of signs to be used on the turnpikes in the vicinity of the city have arrived and will shortly be installed. It is expected that these signs will be of great benefit to the motorists on the rural turnpikes.

—Among the arrivals at the Orton yesterday were: Solicitor H. L. Lyon, Whiteville; W. C. Watters, Mayesville; J. Gregory, Durham; R. W. Freeman, Wilson; Capt. James B. Church, Southport.

SANITOL TOOTH POWDER OR PASTE
Keeps the Teeth White and Healthy

IS REMINDED OF ANECDOTE

Iredell Meares, Esq., Replies to Article of Mr. J. Herbert Johnston, of Castle Haynes.

An article by Mr. J. Herbert Johnston, of Castle Haynes, appearing in Sunday's Star, in which reference is made to Iredell Meares, Esq., reminds the latter of an anecdote, which he relates in a statement given this paper for publication last night as follows:

"The card of Mr. G. Herbert Johnston, who is a member of the Democratic Executive Committee and a very clever gentleman, abiding in the classic precinct of Castle Haynes, reminds me of an anecdote the late Dr. Green was fond of telling of the late Major Reilly. The major was a gallant and dashing officer of the Confederate army. He was also regarded as a fine disciplinarian and drill master. His artillery battallion was his pride.

"One one occasion, it was under the review of General Lee. The driver of one of the caissons, as he passed in front, lost control of his horses, they shied and got out of line. The major, shocked and chagrined, dashed upon his horse up to him and swishing his drawn sword above the driver's head, exclaimed—not in military, but natural parlance—'What in the Hades is the matter with you?' 'Al,' said the driver, —he was a boatman from Currituck—'Ah! Major, I have lost my rudder and am drifting to leeward!'

"Mr. Johnston, when he wrote the card, evidently was in the same fix—he had lost his rudder and was drifting to leeward.

"It was not Mr. Rountree or Mr. Meares that indulged in 'so much brilliant wit and humor,' the imaginary occurrence and illumination of which seems to have dazzled Mr. Johnston's vision, but it was Mr. Gerrit Walker, one of the committeemen, who said that the committee by implication had suggested 'to 'ell with the people'; and it was Mr. Campbell, another committeeman, who submarined its 'unaminity,' if not its equinimity.

"Another's sword has laid him low,
Another's and another's;
And every hand that dealt the blow,
Ah me! It was a brother's."

"Who steers this committee anyway? Four pilots have appeared and grabbed the helm, but they disagree as to the rules of navigation; perhaps, the remainder of them are agonizingly exclaiming, 'Boys, don't rock the boat.' But Mr. Johnston, as a steersman, lost his rudder and drifted to leeward.'

"It is well that Mr. Johnston informs us that of progressive men he is 'of the average and some over,' for only a man who was 'some over' could have unearthed in the sands of time a 'school which taught that any saying by a Meares or a Rountree was entitled to the same reverance as holy writ.' The peculiar genius of Mr. Johnston is not letter writing, but archaeology, and he might have become famous in unearthing the buried cities of antiquity, but he lost his rudder and drifted to leeward.

"It is entirely possible that Mr. Rountree is one of the 'large' taxpayers ironically alluded to by Mr. Johnston, but Mr. Meares certainly does not fall within the class; but, pray tell us, Mr. Johnston, in the lexicon of your committee's progressiveism, is it proposed to limit the right of discussion of public matters to the 'large' taxpayers? That's a kind of political fruit which sprouts and grows more luxuriantly on Russian than American soil—never until now has any one proposed to attempt to propagate it on North Carolina soil; but, we forgot, Mr. Johnston has lost his rudder and is drifting to leeward!

"It is entirely possible that Mr. Rountree may have been frequently overruled while on the bench, by the Supreme court, but it is a proverbial saying among lawyers that it is the able judge who gets overruled most frequently. Chief Justice Pearson, perhaps the ablest lawyer the State has produced, had the worst of records for being overruled. He knew more law than the Supreme court. Any old thing may preside and inquire 'what do they say' and then say over again the platitudes the Supreme court may have said; but it takes a man of brains to think and the courage of opinion to decide, when others might dodge the issue, but Mr. Johnston could not know this, because he had lost his rudder and was drifting to leeward!

"It is true that Meares was defeated as the Progressive candidate for Governor, getting about one-third of enough votes to get there, but in that campaign he stood for the policies of his party, advocating a workman's compensation act, minimum scale of wages for women, child labor laws, better protection and sanitary conditions for workmen, and other policies of social justice, the regulation and not ownership of corporations, tariff commission, and generally a square deal among men, when the Democrats were not then agreed, but, under the leadership of Mr. Wilson, they have out heralded Herod in climbing the mountain ranges of progressivism, until finally they have tumbled over in the midst of the valley of dry bones; where there was a noise, and, behold, a shaking, which some local writer in Sunday's the school committee, may seek to quiet and still by saturating the aforesaid 'dry bones' in alcohol.

"All of which may be much to do about nothing, but amusing as the truffles and trussels of politics. Mr. Johnston may lose his rudder, and drift to leeward, but the county craft may right itself when it gets its rural police and the boys get on the job; then, let us hope, that even Mr. Rountree and Mr. Meares may roam the county side, without fear of arrest, as their progenitors were permitted to do in the olden times.

"IREDELL MEARES."

RECORD PRICE FOR A STAMP

New York Man Plays $900 For One of First United States Issue.

(New York World).

Stamp collectors are much interested in the sale for $900 of a United States postage stamp of the first series issued by the Postoffice Department. A New York capitalist was the purchaser and the price was a record.

The stamp was found recently among a package of dusty documents in the government archives at Washington. It was issued in 1847, after the discontinuance of the practice of individual postmaser printing their own franking labels, and is a 10-cent blue, on bluish paper, bearing a portrait of Washington.

Ordinarily this is not an uncommon stamp, but this specimen was one used a a half stamp and prepaying only 5-cent postage. It had been cut horizontally, and consequently paid postage to only half of its face value, thus enhancing its philatelic worth many times over.

At the Collectors' club it was said the other night the price paid for this stamp is the highest on record. Among the nearest approaches to this figure was when a Yale professor paid $670 last April for one of the famous missionary stamps of Hawaii, issued in 1851.

DIGS UP $7,000 IN KETTLE

Farmer Discovers Gold in Iron Pot Two Feet Under Ground

(Milwaukee Sentinel).

Seven thousand dollars in gold was the treasure John Rugowski, a truck farmer, found hidden two feet under ground while working in his garden near Manitowoc, Wis.

Rugowski struck an old iron kettle with a shovel, and digging it up, carelessly cast it aside, when he spied the glittering money.

Now the question arises to whom does the money belong, because Rugowski is only a tenant on the farm. The property is owned by the estate of the late John Meyer, which is still being settled. Heirs of the estate claim the treasure, but Rugowski intimates that possession is nine points of law, and whoever gets the money from him will have trouble.

For years the farm was owned by a man named Huck, an eccentric character, who had no faith in banks. It is he who is thought to have hidden the wealth. The property has changed hands a number of times.

INDIA TEA

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The almost universal testimony of men and women who have undergone great fatigue, such as riding long journeys without stopping, or sitting up several nights in succession is that they could do it best upon an occasional cup of tea—and nothing else.

MUTUAL INTERESTS (Issued by the Mutual Life Insurance Co. of New York).

India tea is soon ready: 1 teaspoonful to 2 cups

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Among the arrivals at the Wilmington yesterday were: E. G. Wells, Wallace; G. W. Allee, New Bern.

—Mr. T. P. Dorsey arrived on the Clyde Line steamer Cherokee Sunday after a delightful trip to Washington and New York.

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DIED.

SADGWAR — Fannie J. Sadgwar, a well known colored citizen of this city, passed from time into eternity Monday, February 26th, 3:20 P. M.

Funeral from the Presbyterian church this (Tuesday) afternoon at 3 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances respectfully invited to attend.

There will be a meeting of the
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Thursday Night, March 1st, 1917
At the City Hall at 8 P. M., to examine applicants for positions in the Police and Fire Departments.
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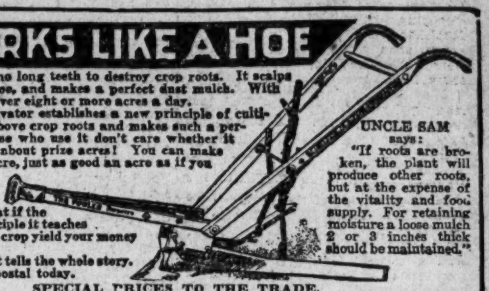

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THEATRICAL

There are many big things in the mammoth show at the Royal yesterday presented by Dave Newman's Tabarin Girls, that kept the crowds clapping and laughing all the way through, but it must be said that the most beautiful and appealing act seen this season was the classic Hawaiian dances presented by Miss Cassie Hurley, in native Hawaiian dress. This act went over with a sensational applause and was recalled repeatedly at each performance. It is something that has not been seen in Wilmington before, a rage that is sweeping the entire country, and the fact that Miss Newman snapped up this act so soon when they are the rage in New York, is proof positive that his show is strictly up to the minute.

Dan Friendly, in the character of leading Jew comedy artist, kept the crowds laughing all the way through, and many times was applauded as he made home drives that tickled the risibilities of the crowds. Miss Carrie Hawley, singing prima donna, was another big feature of the show, and then came "That Girlie Trio" with the niftiest harmony singing act of the season, who responded to many curtain calls. And a mixed quartette also charmed with several selections.

"A Honolulu Romance", the opening bill, to be presented for the last time today, went over big and with novel and beautiful scenery and the most out of the ordinary costumes seen here, it will make another big hit today.

NANCE O'NEIL.

Starring in Metro's Spectacular Feature, "The Iron Woman," at Grand Today

Timely Stuff at Bijou.

The Bijou is right on the job with the timely stuff today. The Hearst-Pathe News, one of its biggest items today, shows the many big American liners lying at the docks in New York awaiting President Wilson's providing guns for the arming. The news of yesterday stated that this would be done and these big liners will again start to cross the war zone of dangers. Fire boats prowling about to guard them is another scene, also guarding the bridges at New York and the two destroyers with steam always up to keep watch over the harbor of New York ready for any emergency. Other big scenes show Fighting Fred Funston, who died last week on the border just previous to his end, and then it jumps to the battle lines of France showing the steps the Allies have taken to overcome the effects of the German asphyxiating gases. Great Britain's training school for naval reserves is another, and many other big scenees.

"The Crimson Arrow" one of the most spectacular and thrilling two-reel dramas of the year, starring the beautiful Indian princess, Mona Darkfeather, is another big feature on today's bill, and then there is a mammoth Nestor comedy scream, "His Wife's Relatives."

Nance O'Neil at Grand.

Nance O'Neil, the beautiful and statuesque emotional artiste, comes to the Grand today for the first time in many months, presenting the leading role in one of the greatest five-reel dramas ever released by the Metro Quality players, "The Iron Woman," filmed in five reels of intense power.

Nance O'Neil is probably one of the strongest of the female emotional dramatic stars, and has appeared in many of the world's most noted photoplays, and her services have been sought by almost every producer of big feature photoplays in America.

"The Iron Woman," Miss O'Neil's latest great Metro feature, allows her full scope for the display of her exquisite emotional and dramatic talents, and she is supported by a great all-star cast of Metro players. It should be one of the very best offerings of the entire week at the Grand today.

Annette Kellerman Coming.

"A Daughter of the Gods" defies word description. Annette Kellerman's divine acting in this greatest of all film super-productions exceeds the most glowing word picture of the most vivid and fertile writer. The dive from the high tower, the race with the expert swimmers, the battle with the treacherous surf and the jagged rocks, the dance of the mermaids on the shore, their sleep in the water, the marvelous performance of Miss Kellerman in the rapids and in the falls of unexcelled beauty, the crystal clearness of the ocean whose waters for the depth of many feet allow free access to the camera, the splendors of the Oriental city, the glories of the Sultan's palace, the great and agitated masses, the exquisite charm of the children, the ingenious uses of the animal creation, the miracles of sunrise and sunset on the waters on whose brow "time writes no wrinkles," the dashing movement of mounted troops in full gallop, the burning of a city, the tragedy of the slave market, the clash of arms, the host of gnomes and elves with their strange homes and habits—all these are but a few leaves from this animated album of beauty.

Summing up the whole production, there is a touch of "Cabiria", a touch of "The Last Days of Pompeii," a touch of "The Birth of a Nation," but none of these touches seem plagiaristic. But this magnificent production has great merit of its own not to be found in any part of screen literature; the magic and dazzling spell of the Southern sea and greater than even these, the irresistible "eternal feminine." It is a picture which seems destined to add prestige to the screen by exciting new wonder and admiration for the art of the camera.

"A Daughter of the Gods" comes to the Academy of Music, matinee and night, Wednesday, March 7th.

Annual Report of Operations.

Neatly printed booklets giving in detail a report of the operations at the James Walker Memorial Hospital during the past year have been sent out to citizens in the ctiy. The complete report of the Board of Managers of this institution was published in the local press some time ago. The average number of admissions of new patients was nearly six a day during the year and the average dispensary dressings the same number. The average daily hospital dressings in addition to outside dispensary treatments was nearly 16 a day. The average number of ambulance calls was nearly three a day.

Annette Kellerman and William E. Shay, Fox $1,000,000 Picture, "A Daughter of the Gods", Academy of Music, Matinee and night, Wednesday, March 7th.

KUT-EL-AMARA IS AGAIN TAKEN FROM TURKS BY BRITISH

Latter Continue Their Advance Against the Germans in Ancre Region in France

SUMMARY OF WAR NEWS

Have Pushed Forward Their Lines to Depth of Two Miles Over a Front of 11 Miles

President Wilson's address to a joint session of Congress, asking for authority to place the United States in a state of armed neutrality as a counter to Germany's submarine warfare; a continuation of the British advance against the Germans in France; the sinking of the Cunard Line steamer Laconia, on which Americans were passengers, and the re-capture by the British of Kut-El-Amara, are the outstanding features in the world war.

Over a front of 11 miles, from the region of Gommecourt, north of the Ancre river, to the district of Gueudecourt, south of the river, the British have pushed forward their lines to a depth of two miles, according to the British official communication. The maneuver has served to throw forward the right and left winds of the British in an enveloping move toward Bapaume, the German stronghold in this region, and to place the British center at Warlencourt-Eaucourt, a scant three miles from Bapaume.

Bombardments and raiding operations are still in progress on the greater part of the remainder of the front in France and Belgium and in the Russian and Austro-Italian theatres.

In Mesopotamia the British have captured from the Turks the entire line from Sannaiyyat to Kut-El-Amara. At the latter place the Turks have been forced to evacuate the position they captured from the British nearly a year ago and now are being driven back, harassed by British cavalry, says the British war office.

Large Captures Made

Large captures in men and war stores were made by the British.

In admitting a retreat from Kut-El-Amara, a Turkish official communication says the movement was pre-arranged and was carried out unnoticed by the British.

The Cunard Line steamer Laconia, bound from New York for Liverpool, was torpedoed Sunday night, presumably off the coast of Ireland. Virtually all the crew and passengers, among the latter several Americans, were saved, according to an announcement of the Cunard Line.

Applications for the new British war loan, treasury bills and war savings certificates amounted to more than Lx1,000,000,000, according to announcement by Andrew Bonar Law, the British chancellor of the exchequer.

An official report from Germany says that since the commencement of the war 4,,998,500 tons of shipping belonging to entente and neutral nations have been destroyed or condemned as prizes by the central powers.

FAREWELL SERVICE AT THE WHITEVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH.

Whiteville, N. C., Feb. 26.—Rev. J. H. Poteet closed a four years and eight months' pastorate Sunday night with the Whiteville Baptist church. The preacher first gave a brief review of the visible results of their work together while he was their pastor,part of which was the raising of $12,500, a great deal more money than they had ever given before in the same length of time. There had been received into th fellowship of the church 115 members, which is more than half the number of the present membership. He said that all parts of the arithmetic had been worked there, even to common fractions.

The text from which he preached was Acts 20:32. The theme was, "Why I recommend you to the word of God." Mr. Poteet said that in the scriptures that he had read was the account of the Apostle Paul's separation from the Ephesian elders, but that he felt that he could use part of it at least as his own experience at Whiteville; that he had withheld nothing that was profitable for them and that he had taught them publicly and privately, that he had not shunned to declare the whole counsel of God and had warned them with tears. "I choose this text tonight because it is suitable for the occasion and gives me the opportunity to close my work here as I began—preach the Word."

A crowded church heard Mr. Poteet and many among the audience were moved to tears. At the conclusion of the sermon Mr. Irvin B. Tucker eloquently reviewed the work that had been done under Mr. Poteet's guidance and spoke in the highest terms of praise of him as a man and a follower of Christ. Mr. Tucker was followed by Mr. James Powell, speaking in a similar vein of the church work, and the service came to a close by the singing of "God be With You Till We Meet Again," in which practically the entire audience joined.

CREAM FOR CATARRH OPENS UP NOSTRILS

Tells How To Get Quick Relief from Head-Colds. It's Splendid!

In one minute your clogged nostrils will open, the air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more hawking, snuffling, blowing, headache, dryness No struggling for breath at night; your cold or catarrh will be gone.

Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist now. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic, healing cream in your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage of the head, soothes the inflamed or swollen mucous membrane and relief comes instantly.

It's just fine. Don't stay stuffed-up with a cold or nasty catarrh—Relief comes so quickly.

THIS TUNE MEANS FIGHT

Georgia Militiamen Walloped Michigander Who Whistled "Marching Thro' Georgia"—Similar Row.

The following story appearing in the Columbia State of Sunday, shows that the memory of Sherman's infamous march from "Atlanta to the Sea" is still burned indelibly into the hearts of Southerners who were then unborn. Capt. D. T. Cronly, who is mentioned in the story, is well known in Wilmington, and is a brother of Mr. Michael Cronly, the genial office deputy, at the sheriff's office.

"Maj. A. Moultrie Brailsford, commander of South Carolina field hospital No. 1, has returned from the border looking remarkably well and is full of his experiences while at El Paso, where there were 50,000 volunteers in camp.

"The major says that a Georgia regiment encamped there had a conspicuous sign near their regimental headquarters, advising all comers that 'Marching Through Georgia' must not be played, sung or whistled on any of its company streets. One day a tall Michigan soldier in passing saw the sign and at once began to whistle the tune in a spirit of bravado. He was at once jumped on by the crackers and given a good licking. Of course, the whole bunch was arrested and the case came up before the judge advocate. The assailants and the Michigander told their stories, whereupon the judge advocate tersely said, 'Case dismissed. Provocation sufficient. Conduct perfectly justifiable.'

"The major told this story to Capt. D. T. Cronly, and it reminded him of an occurrence that took place in the spring of 1898 at Raleigh, in which the same tune ('Marching Through Georgia') figured. The captain is a veteran of the Spanish-American war and was a member of the Second North Carolina infantry. In the patriotic spring of '98 the North Carolina troops were mobilized at Raleigh. The Second regiment was being drilled and recruited for some little time, and, as everybody knows now, the National Guard was in much worse condition than it was last spring. Musicians were scarce and hard to get. The colonel corraled from somewhere up North a German-American bandmaster, with the nucleus of a band, and they came to Raleigh and enlisted. The various companies occupied all the available space near the camp, so the band, under the leadership of this German-American bandmaster and drum-major, went off in the woods daily to practice and the men knew nothing about their tunes.

"In due time the regiment was licked into shape and it was announced that they would have their first dress parade on a certain afternoon. This was a gala occasion and Raleigh's chivalry had gathered there. Nearly every one was on hand, including the Confederate veterans and the Daughters of the Confederacy. The regiment was formed, the men were brought to 'parade rest,' and the 'sound off' began. This is where the band, which is on the right of the regiment, begins a tune, marches out in front, turns to the left and marches down the front of the regiment to the left, playing all the time.

"Well, the first tune the band struck up was 'Marching Through Georgia.' Can you beat it? There was almost a riot among the spectators and the men came near throwing down their guns. The drum major was nearly mobbed. He said: 'Vell, I did not know. You vanted patriotic tunes, and I tought dat was it. Tell me what to play and I play um.'

"He never played that tune any more, but was supplied with Southern music, and shortly after this episode, at dress parades after the sound off, when the bugle would sound and "Old Glory" would be lowered, the band would strike up 'Hurrah! Hurrah for the Bonnie Blue Flag.' This was some amends for 'Marching Through Georgia,' but was not exactly appropriate just at this juncture."

WOULD APPROPRIATE SIX MILLIONS FOR FOOD RELIEF

Washington, Feb. 26.—Federal relief in the present fod situation was proposed in Congress today by Senator Borah of Idaho, who introduced a resolution to appropriate $6,000,000 to be expended by the President in aiding local authorities to furnish food and clothing to persons now actually suffering. The resolution also would provide for an investigation of rising prices.

"WE ARE WASTEFUL PEOPLE"

Frugality Declared Almost Lost Art in This Country.

(Life).

We are undoubtedly the most wasteful people in the world. In America frugality is almost a lost art. Countless men and women are actually suffering, both physically and mentally because they do not know how to stop waste in their own homes.

Waste is a devastating thing. It goes on under our eyes; it goes on while we sleep—it is always going on. There is as much difference between honest wear and tear and waste as there is between an honest man and a thief.

We waste our time, our money, our food. In a household about 85 per cent. of the heat from the furnace is wasted. Our children take more than they can eat and waste the rest, but before we correct them we should look at our own plates. The amount of gas wasted in jets unnnecessarily kept burning in a single day all over the United States would, if we could compute it, be a staggering indictment of our folly.

The American business man goes on the principle that it is easier for him to make more money to pay for the waste in his home than it is to "waste" his time in trying to stop it. His wife is unconsciously influenced by his example.

What can we do about it? Something, anyway. We can talk about it, gesticulate about it ,think about it and make up our minds right now to fight it in every way possible.

—There will be a special meeting of City Council today at 1 o'clock to consider several routine matters. The session will last only a few minutes, it was stated last night.

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WRECK ON THE PENNSYLVANIA PROBABLY WAS DISASTROUS

Two Sleeping Cars Telescoped by a Freight Train This Morning.

Philadelphia, Feb. 27.—Two sleeping cars of the Mercantile Express were telescoped by a freight train on the Pennsylvania Railroad at Mount Union station, near Altoona, early today, according to information received at the general offices of the company in this city. The express left Pittsburg at 7 o'clock last night and was due here at 4:18 A. M.

Railroad officials expressed fear that a number of passengers had been killed. The two sleepers were so tightly jammed together that little headway had been made in extricating the occupants half an hour after the accident. Relief trains bearing physicians and nurses have left Altoona.

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 27.—First reports from the wreck at Mt. Union stated that the freight engine ploughed its way into the rear of a steel sleeper, which was forced through a wooden coach just ahead. Practically all of the occupants of the wooden coach were either killed or badly injured, though the number is not definitely known, being estimated at from 14 to 20.

DEL RIO ASSOCIATION.

Exerting Special Christian Influence Over Regular Army Soldiers.

(Y. M. C. A. Border Work.)

The influence of the Bateman Association building at Del Rio, Texas, is giving the Christian men in the 14th Cavalry and the Third Infantry a new opportunity for expression of their Christian life. On a recent Sunday in a service conducted by the Baptist Young People's Union of the town, attended by 125 soldiers, three enlisted men gave their personal testimony regarding their Christian life. For several days following, comments were heard from their comrades for their nerve and grit in putting themselves on record as they did.

Del Rio citizens have raised an army Young Men's Christian Association welfare fund, which has reached a total of $529. A piano has been purchased for the building.

Why Not Get Rid of Eczema?

If your skin itches and burns with eczema or any such tormenting, unsightly skin disease, simply wash the sore places with Resinol Soap and hot water, dry, and apply a little Resinol Ointment. Usually the itching stops *INSTANTLY*, you no longer have to dig and scratch, sleep becomes possible, and healing begins. That is because the soothing, antiseptic Resinol medication arrests the action of the disease, and almost always restores the tortured, inflamed skin to perfect health—quickly, easily, and at little cost. Prescribed by doctors for over 20 years, and sold by every druggist.

What the Right Soap Does for Your Skin

Money cannot buy a purer, more cleansing toilet soap than Resinol Soap. And the healing Resinol medication in it helps to keep the complexion clear, fresh, and beautiful.

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All Fixtures; 3 Cash Registers, 4 Electric Fans, Soda Fountain, Safe, Furniture, Etc., Etc.

Will be sold to highest bidder.

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In Which This Great Star Has the Opportunity of Her Career for the Delineation of a Strong Emotional Role.

A TENSE, EXCITING DRAMA.

Maxwell Leads at Pinehurst.

Pinehurst, N. C., Feb. 26.—Norman Maxwell, of the Aroniminik Club, Philadelphia, led the field of 260 players in the first half of the qualifying round of the anual spring golf tournament here today with a card of 75 for the 18 holes. Robert Hunter, of Noroton, was second with 76, and John D. Chapman, of Greenwich, third with 83. The second half of the qualifying round will be played tomorrow.

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Dave Newman's
TABARIN GIRLS
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"A Honolulu Romance"

A New and Novel Musical Comedy Play, Featuring

CARRIE HAWLEY,
Singing Prima Donna.

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LATE NEWS!

On the International Crisis, Showing Among Other Things the Big Liners Awaiting Wilson's Provision for Arming Them. Fred Funston—His Last Photos on the Border—and Many Other Big Things in

Hearst-Pathe News

"The Crimson Arrow"

Beautiful Mona Darkfeather in a Great Two-Reel Drama of Thrills

'His Wife's Relatives'

A Roaring Nestor Comedy Scream

The MOTOR MAID

by Hester Winthrop

A French Motor Coat of Plum Colored Duvetyn with Trimming of Gray Velvet and Steel Buckles

White Cloth Stitched in Green is Combined with a New Green Matelasse Fabric

Pontine Motor Coat of Gray with Reverse Side in Scarlet Cloth

Coat of Soft Worsted with Loose Easy Lines, and Convertible Collar

Coats Have Graceful Lines Above the Waist, a Full Flare Below - Three Types: for Rough Weather, for Restaurant Appearance and for Sport Wear - Fanciful Veils for the Motorist.

DID you ever stop to think of it—thousands of new cars sold annually in these United States, and thousands of new motor coats to go with them! No wonder the manufacturers of women's clothes are interested in the automobile industry! And not only coats; all the fascinating accessories that go to make up a smart motor costume—streaming veils and natty hats, smart reticules and automobile over-night bags with appropriate fittings, even dainty buttoned boots which when you come to think of it are the first things to appear when a stunning motor costume removes itself from the tonneau. No matter how heavy and serviceable a motor coat, the prettiest and most frivolous footwear may be worn with it, for the fair motorist's foot is rarely set upon the ground except in the brief trip between car and restaurant or dwelling.

The motor coat must be ready to meet all weathers in summertime, when open cars and not limousines are the rule; its lines must suggest comfort and adequate warmth—though in mid-summer, it is true, adequate warmth may be suggested by the lightest of silks. The coat must have a certain dashing style too, even when built of heavy fabric and on bulky lines. Motor wear is in a class by itself and nobody expects it to have the dainty grace of the calling or promenade costume—always excepting the dainty buttoned boot whose very daintiness makes the big coat the more impressively smart.

Three Types Of Motor Coats.

Like farther Gaul, motor wear is divided into three parts; costumes for touring, practical and more or less substantial in character; costumes for town automobiling and outdoor restaurant driving, and sport motor wear for running about in the country. Probably half the motor coats put out each season belong to the first class. The woman who can afford only one motor coat buys one of this type; if she can afford all the coats she wants, she adds a dressy motor coat and one of sport character to her wardrobe, but the utility coat she must have.

When the proud father of a family figures up expenses and decides that the long desired "car" is to change from a dream into an actuality, he jots down things about upkeep and gas and extra tires; but his busy pencil fails—usually—to make note of a very important item; and that item his wife's pencil is busy with on the other side of the library table—the item of complete and satisfying motor regalia for herself and her daughters. If pater familias did but realize it, her pencil is adding quite materially to the cost of maintenance of the new car. A stunning motor coat costs more than a new tire and the price of gas is nothing, compared with the prices of knowing motor hats and veils and handbags, forever having to be renewed.

An admirable utility coat for the car is pictured in the loose, comfortable model of soft worsted in dark mustard shade. This coat is typical of the season's best style; it has the rather close, graceful lines above the waist, now in favor, with a full flare at the skirt hem—and the smartest new motor coats come quite to the skirt hem, which means that they are long enough to cover the top of the buttoned walking boot. The coat pictured has a loose belt fastening around at one side and a practical collar which may be worn in several ways, according to the weather. The collar is faced with self-colored cloth of smooth weave and a flap of this cloth, set down the front opening makes an attractive trimming. Another model, in this type of utility coat, is also a favorite. It has the close line over arm and shoulder and the flare below the waist is increased by gatherings or shirrings at either side, under the arm. Over these gathers are set new barrel pockets which distend the lines of the coat at the sides—a very modish effect. The collar is convertible and there is a narrow belt which crosses at the front, each end buttoning to the top of a pocket. Still another coat shows the gathers at the sides with barrel pockets below, but the belt runs across the front only, from pocket to pocket. At the back, the gathers continue straight across and are attached to the upper section in a flat, stitched seam, two straps coming down from the shoulder and buttoning in tab-ends over the gathers. When one refers to belts buttoning to pockets, it should be remembered that barrel pockets, extend upward in long points at either side, the center of the pocket bagging out from the coat to give the barrel effect.

French Motor Coats Fancifully Trimmed.

Of the dressy type of motorwear is the French coat of plum-colored duvetyn with buckled straps at the back. Straps of one sort or another, vertically placed at the back, seem to be a feature of spring motor coats, though all straps are not garnished with buckles. The pictured coat is somewhat shorter than a motor coat on utility lines, in order to show a dainty frock below its edge. It has a rather high belt in Empire style (Empire lines are much fancied in dressy motor coats of this type), and the pockets are hidden under side sections which come forward from the pleated back. The tops of these side sections are piped with silver gray velvet and are allowed to bag a bit in the barrel suggestion. The cuffs are of velvet in two shades of gray and have buckles for trimming. Another dressy coat is of heliotrope serge with collar and cuffs of silver gray broadcloth, and the pockets and sash ends are elaborately embroidered in silver gray silk. The sash is really a narrow, flat belt emerging from the side seams, and falling in two ends at the front from a single knot, or overlapping of the belt.

Many of these dressy coats show rows of stitching in self-toned or contrasting sewing silk. Jenny has put out several such coats, particularly one model called the "barrel" coat, which is quite the rage in Paris. The coat is built of light gray broadcloth and is fitted by gores above the belt, though the lines do not suggest tightness; and below the waist there is a decided bulge toward the knees at sides and back, produced by an artful circular cut of the material. Rows of stitching, done with a darker gray sewing silk, at the bulgiest point of the barrel-bulge, make the effect unescapable, and the handsome stitching also decorates the collar. The best motor coats are sewed with silk throughout, in seams and details of finish. No garment should be more carefully finished than a motor coat which must defy all weathers and the coat sewed with a cheap substitute for silk is apt to look shabby very soon—after the sun has faded the cheap thread, the dust has collected in the seams because of it, and dampness has caused the thread to shrink and pucker the seams. Women who buy motor coats should be on their guard against such a substitution and insist upon silk sewing throughout.

Pontine Coats Much The Vogue.

There is nothing like a pontine coat for wear in every sort of weather. Neither chill winds nor heavy fogs can penetrate through the waxed, leather-like outer surface of this material, which has an inner side of silk or smooth cloth by way of a coat lining already attached. Pontine coats are the essence of smartness also; however simply made, they express high distinction in motor wear. The model illustrated is of stone gray pontine, the waxed outer side having a small embossed pattern which gives a softer luster to the waxed surface; the inner side is of scarlet cloth. The lines are excellent and the full flare is achieved with pleats which above the belt are stitched flat. The coat has the new boot-top length and a wide, convertible collar.

A sport type of coat for motoring out to the country club is pictured in the model of green and white metallesse, a new coating fabric with a block check effect. Big barrel pockets lend width of silhouette and a trim belt holds the fullness in check above the waist. Collar and part of the belt are of white cloth stitched with green silk, and the buttons are of green monolith. The sport skirt of green and white striped flannel and a snappy little sport sailor accord well with this modern coat. Another sport motor coat is of black and white tussah in enormous block checks, with a knotted sash of the material cut on the bias. There is a scarf collar of Irish green cloth which may be wrapped around the throat or allowed to fall in long, tasseled ends to the waistline.

Hail To The Veil.

Motor veils are most impressive affairs this season and are draped over smart little motoring turbans of straw and silk. Some of the new veils for motoring have soutache embroidered borders; others designed to be drawn neatly under the chin, have patterns embroidered with white worsted and silk on the upper part so that the embroidery comes over the front of the motor hat and the face is covered only with a fine mesh.

SPRING NECK FIXINGS CHARMING AND PRACTICAL

The Collar Must Now Define The Curves Of Throat And Shoulder—Flaring Effects Have Gone Out. This Dainty Set In Handkerchief Linen And Filet Lace.

GOODBYE to the Elizabethan ruff! Farewell to the Medici Collar and the Richelieu and the Henry Eighth effects! All neckwear that stands up or sticks out from the throat has now been consigned to the Valhalla of dead neckwear gods and an era of flat, unflaring neck fixings is at hand.

Collars "lay low," so to speak for fear they may be ousted altogether if they make themselves too pronounced; for there is certainly a movement astir to banish neckwear altogether. Many of the new French frocks and blouses are so collarless that the throat looks actually bare and undressed. Other bodices show a line of beads outlining a square or V-shaped neck opening and if there is a collar at all, it starts at the shoulder seams and hangs down the back. Such a collar forms part of a Cheruit frock of plum-colored Georgette and soiree silk. The bodice and skirt are of Georgette, a flounce of the silk finishing the skirt from just below the hip. Above, on the Georgette is a broad border design in soutache and soutaché decorates a bib-shaped panel that hangs below the square neck opening of the bodice. From this square neck opening, starting at the shoulder seams, an enormous collar of soutache embroidered Georgette falls over the back of the bodice, partly covering even the sleeves, and silk tassels weight the corners of the collar, dangling below the waistline.

Very smart sport blouses of bright colored La Jerz, a soft Jersey weave silk which does not sag and is therefore much in demand, slip on over the head and fasten with laces which extend a few inches below a deep V-neck opening, and not so much as a bead appears by way of collar trimming. The severe effect of the untrimmed V of bright colored silk against the neck is considered exceedingly smart, but not many women can stand such severity, so fortunately for most of us there are collars!

These collars for spring wear are of filet lace—and other things. But mostly of filet lace. This effective, square-meshed lace bids fair to have as great a vogue as Irish crochet did a few seasons ago. There are all-filet collars, and collars of lawn, of handkerchief linen, of organdy and of Georgette, trimmed with filet; and, of course, one finds filet of every grade and degree, from exquisite real filet patterns to atrocious imitation filet as course as a washrag. Filet is such a showy lace in itself that a very little of it—in the cheaper grades—goes a long way and it is far better to have a fabric collar edged with a tiny border of real filet, than a collar made entirely of lace of cheap quality. There is one thing about filet—it launders to perfection and needs no ironing, if one is careful to pull it out straight to dry. Just before it is entirely dry it should be manipulated in the fingers so that the pattern will be perfectly true and straight and the texture of the lace soft and pliable. This is better than pinning the lace out on a cushion—never a very successful method with a square-meshed lace, for unless the threads dry squarely straight the effect will be very bad.

Over a simple frock of dark olive faille matinee silk a cream filet collar is most effective. The handsomest filet pattern is used in a deep collar of cream Georgette which accompanies an afternoon frock of black cloth and chiffon. This is an ordinary square sailor collar edged with lace, mitred at the corners, and has two doubled strips of the Georgette with tasseled tab ends set at either side of the collar in a new and effective manner. An easy way to achieve something new and smart in the collar line—if you like to fashion pretty bits of neckwear at home. Another Georgette and filet collar, in flesh pink and pale cream, has a separate, pointed collar over a square one, but both collars lie very flat on the shoulders. A year ago the pointed section would have been wired to stand upright, but such an effect would look hopelessly passe now. If one simply cannot wear low collars there is an alternative in the bib-stock which is exactly like the collar and jabot worn about fifteen years ago. The stock is made of pleated net, the pleats running horizontally around the throat and the stock fits trimly, coming high about the neck—as high as one can stand it. The fastening is at the back, with tiny loops and buttons, and the pleated net bib, or jabot, is attached across the lower edge of the stock at the front. These bib-stocks look very smart with tailored suits and there are women who can wear them more successfully than the low collars, but it is safe to say the favor will be for the cool, loose collar. There is a high sport collar also, made of white tussah and called a stock. Its turnover points down over a black silk tie which passes around the neck over the stock and under the turnover and is made into a big, smart bow at the front.

For sport wear there are sets of collar and sash made of tussah silk embroidered in metal thread and such a set will be "the making" of a knitted sweater fashioned at home. One of these big, graceful collars of Chinese blue tussah, with wide, soft sash to match, have been added to a home-knit sweater of tan shetland wool and the effect is excellent. It is easy enough to knit a sweater—it is the "fixings" of sash, collar and pockets that try one's patience after the sweater is off the needles; so these handy, and very attractive tussah sets for sport wear will be enthusiastically received, one is sure.

There is scarcely any limit to the extreme one may go to in collar decolletage this season. Some of the collars themselves are made to be worn with so low a neck opening that most women will prefer to wear a "modestie" of shirred net or tucked organdy across the collar opening. This decolletage is at the front only; at the back and at the sides of the throat the collar is no lower than the ordinary top of a blouse. However, low collarwear may be at the front, no collar has yet shown itself with a dip downward at the back. These new collars which leave the nape of the neck bare and point sharply downward at the front will undoubtedly create a demand for strings of beads, and one may look for coral, pearl and Oriental bead necklaces of all sorts very shortly.

Very good style indeed is the collar and cuff set of fine handkerchief linen with filet edge. Its dainty neatness and feminine charm with a flower-trimmed hat and simple silk frock could hardly be rivaled by any effect, however elaborate.

A Graceful Sailor Collar Of Cream Georgette And Filet; The Tasseled Tabs At The Sides Are A New Idea.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

LITTLE CHANGE IN COTTON

Sentiment Divided Between Nervousness and Bullish Spot and Weather Advices.

New York, Feb. 26.—The cotton market was good today with sentiment divided between nervousness over political or shipping cnoditions and bullish spot and weather advices. Fluctuations were irregular, an early advance to 16.53 for May being followed by a reaction to 16.31 with that delivery closing at 16.36. The general list closed barely steady, net 10 points higher to 10 points lower.

Low crop deliveries were relatively easy, notwithstanding bullish advices from the Southwest, and closed at the low point of the day under selling by houses with Liverpool connections.

The market opened steady at an advance of 3 to 13 points. Prices eased off on the announcement that President Wilson would appear before Congress, but rallied on trade buying. May sold up to 16.53 and October to 16.12 on this bulge or about 15 to 24 points net higher and approximately 40 points from the low level of last Friday in the case of old crop deliveries. As the hour for the President's address approached, prices eased off again, and a moderate rally which followed the publication of his message was not maintained. Trading was steady and quiet during the greater part of the day and the market was sensitive to small orders with sentiment unsettled during the afternoon by reports that one of the larger ocean liners had been sunk. Closing prices were a shade up from the lowest on old crop months as a result of covering.

	Open	High	Low	Close
March	16.10	16.51	16.35	16.37
May	16.02	16.53	16.31	16.36
July	16.06	16.58	16.37	16.39
October	15.63	16.12	15.87	15.87
December	15.75	16.14	15.97	15.97

Spot cotton steady; middling 16.55.

PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling 17.19; receipts 982; sales 1,280; stock 440,689.

Galveston—Middling 16.60; receipts 3,245; sales 302; stock 287,671.

Mobile—Middling 16.13; receipts 300; stock 8,291.

Savannah—Middling 18.50; receipts 148; stock 149,912.

Charleston—Receipts 83; exports 4,052; stock 50,076.

Wilmington—Receipts 229; stock 51,548.

Norfolk—Middling 16.75; receipts 1,996; sales 340; stock 102,138.

Baltimore—Stock 14,980.

Boston—Middling 16.45; receipts 49; stock 12,600.

Philadelphia—Middling 16.80; stock 2,561.

New York—Middling 16.55; receipts 83; exports 4,773; stock 155,308.

Minor Ports—Stock 52,010.

Total today—Receipts 7,065; exports 8,825; stock 1,328,784.

Total for week—Receipts 19,664; exports 21,598.

Total for season—Receipts 5,856,565; exports 4,035,959.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling 16.50; receipts 8,872; shipments 9,561; sales 20; stock 154,435.

Memphis—Middling 17.00; receipts 4,721; shipments 3,051; sales 950; stock 352,944.

Augusta—Middling 16.82; receipts 181; shipments 174; sales 11; stock 119,893.

St. Louis—Receipts 1,168; shipments 374; stock 35,601.

Cincinnati—Receipts 778; shipments 522; stock 22,370.

Little Rock—Middling 16.25; receipts 298; shipments 144; sales 144; stock 37,200.

Dallas—Middling 16.15; sales 167.

Montgomery—Middling 17.00.

Total today—Receipts 16,018; shipments 13,856; stock 722,443.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

New Orleans, Feb. 26.—Small advances were scored in the cotton market here today, although the address of President Wilson at first was followed by an unsettled market and a decline to the lowest levels of the session on the fear that armed neutrality might lead to war. Bullish traders bought freely on the decline, however, taking the view that the measures outlined in the address would restore American shipping and allow exportation of cotton to be resumed. The net change for the day was an advance of 2 to 7 points on the old crop months and a decline of 1 point on the new.

The opening was at the advance, and buying was moderately stimulated by a private bureau report on ginning, showing a total output for the season of 11,360,000 bales, complaints of drouth in Texas and too much moisture in portions of the central belt.

At the highest of the day the trading months were 13 to 18 points over Saturday's close. At the lowest the most active months were 2 to 7 points under. At its lowest the March position stood unchanged compared to last week's close.

Closing bid: March 16.12; May 15.97; July 16.00; October 15.51; December 15.63.

Spot cotton, nominal and unchanged. Sales on the spot 1,165 bales; to arrive 115 bales; middling 17.19.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Feb. 26.—After advancing 18 to 22 points owing to heavy short covering and buying for western and local account on the lard strength, cotton seed oil reacted under realizing by Southern holders. Final prices, however, were still 11 to 12 points above the previous day. Tenders 1,400 barrels. Sales 41,800 barrels.

Close steady. Spot 12.63; March 12.69 to 12.76; April 12.65 to 12.75; May 12.64 to 12.66; June 12.64 to 12.68; July 12.64 to 12.66; August 12.67 to 12.69; September 12.66 to 12.67; October 11.91 to 12.10.

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.

New York, Feb. 26.—Mercantile paper 4 to 4¼; sterling 60 day bills 4.72; commercial 60 day bills on banks 4.72; commercial 60 day bills 4.71¾; demand 4.75⅝; cables 4.76 7-16. Bar silver 77⅛; Mexican dollars 59½. Government bonds firm; railroad bonds irregular. Time loans steady; 60 days 3¾ to 4; 90 days 3¾ to 4; six months 4 to 4¼.

MODERATE DECLINE IN WHEAT

Sinking of Laconia the Chief Factor. Wilson's Address of Little Effect.

Chicago, Feb. 26.—Wheat prices today suffered moderate declines, chiefly as a result of the sinking of the Laconia. President Wilson's address to Congress appeared to have no effect on the market. Closing quotations were unsettled ¼ to 1c net lower, with May at 1.77¾ to 1.77⅞, and July at 1.51⅜. Corn lost ½ to ⅝ and oats ⅛ to ¼. Provisions rose 10 to 25c.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat—May 1.77⅞; July 1.51½.

Corn—May 1.00⅝; July 99⅜.

Oats—May 56¾; July 54¾.

Pork—May 31.00; July 30.30.

Lard—May 17.87; July 17.80.

Ribs—May 16.60; July 16.65.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2 red 1.78⅝; No. 3 red, nominal; No. 2 hard 1.84; No. 3 hard, nominal.

Corn—No. 2 yellow 1.01; No. 3 yellow 98½ to 1.00¾; No. 4 yellow 95 to 99.

MARINE.

Cleared.

Str. Chippewa, Maguire, New York, C. J. Becker, agent.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Santa Rosalia, 3,488 tons, Jones, Heide & Co.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.), 3,288 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger.), 2,372 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 26.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—47½c.

ROSIN—Nominal.

TAR—$2.75-12½c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Nominal.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nominal; rosin, nominal; tar, $1.70-08c.; crude turpentine, $3.50, $3.50, $2.50.

RECEIPTS:

Spirits Turpentine ... ...(—)

Rosin ... ...(—)

Tar ... ...(—)

Crude Turpentine ... ...(—)

Receipts same day last year—Spirits turpentine, (—) casks; rosin, (—) barrels; tar, 18 barrels; crude turpentine, (—) barrels

COTTON MARKET.

Market—16¾c.; same day last year, 11¼c.

Receipts — 218 bales; same day last year, 74 bales.

Total receipts since August 1 to date, 77,756 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 149,399 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at

February 26, 1917.

Atlantic Coast Line—18 bales cotton.

Seaboard Air Line—200 bales cotton.

Total—218 bales cotton.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Purchase price quoted by W. J. Meredith, Feb. 26.)

SWEET POTATOES — Yams, 75c. to 85c. bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—$2.00 per bu.

CORN—$1.15 to $1.17½ per bu.

BEEF—Native dressed, 9c. to 10c.

PORK—10c to 12c per pound.

WOOL—Burry, 20 to 22 1-2c; first class wool, 20c. to 35c.; highest grade, washed wool, 38c.

HIDES—Green, salt, 18c. to 20c.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Hams, 20c.; sides and shoulders ,15c. to 16c. per lb.; good demand.

BEESWAX—Firm, 23c. per pound; good demand.

POULTRY — Turkeys, 20c. on foot; dressed, 25c. lb.; chickens, grown, 45c. to 50c.; spring, 20c. to 25c. head.

EGGS—Dull, 32c to 34c.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Feb. 26. — North Carolina peanuts, new crop, farmers' stock, fancy hand-picked, $1.15; No. 1, machine, $1.12 per bushel.

Virginia peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, Jumbos, 80c.; fancy hand-picked, 75c.; No. 1, machine picked, 65c.

Spanish peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, $1.25; Jumbos, $1.20 per bushel.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 26.—Spanish—Farmers' stock—Market firm, $1.60 per bu.

Virginias, Farmers' stock—Market steady. Fancy Jumbo 4½c per lb.; Extra Prime, 4¼c per lb.; Prime, 4c per lb.; Shelling stock, 3¼ to 3¾c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Feb. 26.—Cotton, spot steady. Good middling 11.46; middling 11.36; low middling 11.18. Sales 8,000 bales, 1,000 for speculation and export; receipts 6,000 bales.

Futures—Steady. February 10.92; February and March 10.88; March and April 10.84; April and May 10.79; May and June 10.74; June and July 10.68; July and August 10.62; August and September 10.32; September and October 10.08; October and November 9.93; November and December 9.83; December and January 9.78; January and February 9.75; February and March 9.75.

NEW YORK PROVISIONS.

New York, Feb. 26.—Raw sugar firm; centrifugal 5.42; molasses 4.15; refined steady.

Butter—Weaker.

Cheese—Firm.

Coffee—Spot steady; Rio 7s, 9¾c; Santos 4s 10¾c.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Feb. 26.—Cotton goods were quiet and steady. Yarns were firm. There was an active demand for spring dress goods. Burlaps and raw silk were steady.

DULLNESS IN STOCK MARKET

President's Address to Congress the Outstanding Feature—Activity Late.

New York, Feb. 26.—President Wilson's message to Congress requesting authority to protect the country's merchant marine was the outstanding incident of today's dull and professional market.

Trading was almost at a standstill during the mid-session, but became more active in the final hour to the accompaniment of the day's best prices.

Extreme gains of 2 3-4 and 4 1-2 points, respectively, were scored by mercantile marine common and preferred with 2 1-2 for United Fruit and 6⅝ for Atlantic, Gulf & West Indies. United States Steel moved unevenly at times but steady absorption of fairly large lots finally effected an extreme gain of 2 points, with an average of 1 point for allied industrials, notably Lackawanna and Crucible Steel and Republic Iron.

Metals, particularly American Smelting and Anaconda, Utah and Inspiration coppers, hardened on trade reports and equipments such as General Electric, Central Leather, American Can and American and Baldwin Locomotives were firm to strong.

Oils were unusually active, Texas Company leading at a gross advance of 4½ points. Some of the motors, sugars and fertilizers suggested further short covering. High grade rails, aside from Reading and Union Pacific, which made moderate gains, were dull and without material change, but New Haven, Southern Railway, preferred, and Seaboard Air Line, preferred, reacted one to almost two points.

Bethlehem Steel issues and Industrial Alcohol were included among the heavy industrials and specialties.

Bonds were irregular and restricted. Total sales, par value, $3,125,000. United States registered 3s advanced ¼ per cent on call.

NEW YORK STOCCK LIST.

Allis Chalmers	25½
American Beet Sugar	88¼
American CaCn	43⅞
American Car & Foundry	63½
American Cotton Oil	44⅞
American Locomotive	70¼
American Smelting	99½
American Sugar	112
American Tel. & Tel.	124⅞
American Tobacco	207⅝
American Zinc	37⅜
Anaconda Copper	80
Atchison	102⅝
Atlantic Coast Line	112½
Baldwin Locomotive	53⅜
Baltimore & Ohio	76⅝
Bethlehem Steel	129
Canadian Pacific	154½
Central Leather	88
Chesapeake & Ohio	58¾
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	80¾
Chicago, R. I. & Pac. Ry.	18¾
Colorado Fuel & Iron	46½
Consolidated Gas	122
Corn Products	21¾
Crucible Steel	65½
Cuba Cane Sugar	40¾
Erie	26⅝
General Electric	162⅞
Great Northern pfd	114
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	32⅜
Goodrich	55¾
Illinois Central	102⅞
Inspiration Copper	58
Int. Mer. Marine pfd	73
International Nickel	41⅛
International Paper	37
Kansas City Southern	22
Kennecott Copper	45¼
Lehigh Valley	74
Louisville & Nashville	126½
Liggett & Myers	250
Lorillard Co.	200
Maxwell Motors	55½
Mexican Petroleum	88¾
National Lead	56¾
New York Central	96
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford	44¾
Norfolk & Western	131
Northern Pacific	103⅞
Pennsylvania	54¾
Ray Consolidated Copper	26⅞
Reading	95⅝
Republic Iron & Steel	78½
Seaboard Air Line	15
Seaboard Air Line pfd	33
Sloss Shef. Steel & Iron	60
Studebaker Corporation	101¼
Southern Pacific	94¼
Southern Railway	27⅞
Southern Railway pfd	59⅞
Tennesse Copper	15
Texas Company	227⅛
Union Pacific	138⅝
United Fruit	141
United States Rubber	53½
United States Steel	109⅛
United States Steel pfd	117⅞
Utah Copper	112
Virginia Caro. Chem.	39
Wabash pfd "B"	25
Western Union	93⅞
Westinghouse Electric	50
Missouri Pacific w.i.	30

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Feb. 26.—Turpentine firm, 48½c; sales 54; receipts 27; shipments 212; stock 14,039.

Rosin—Firm; sales 299; receipts 285; shipments 479; stock 77,732. Quote: A B C D E F G H I, 5.85; K, 6.00; M, 6.10; N, 6.30; WG, 6.45; WW, 6.65.

NEW YORK LIVE STOCK.

New York, Feb. 26.—Beeves, easy; steers 8.50 to 10.35; bulls 6.00 to 9.00; cows 4.00 to 7.75.

Calves—Weak; veals 9.50 to 14.00; culls 7.00 to 9.00; barn yard calves 5.00 to 6.00; yearlings 4.30 to 5.50.

Sheep and Lambs—Sheep steady; lambs easy; common sheep 7.00 to 9.00; lambs 13.25 to 14.75.

Hogs—Higher; light to heavy 12.00 to 13.25; pigs 11.50 to 12.50; rough 11.50 to 11.60.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Feb. 26.—Hogs easy at 15 to 20c above Saturday's average; bulk 12.90 to 13.10; light 12.25 to 13.05; mixed 12.75 to 13.15; heavy 12.70 to 13.20; rough 12.70 to 12.80; pigs 9.75 to 11.50.

Cattle—Strong; native beef cattle 7.90 to 12.15; stockers 6.35 to 9.20; cows and heifers 5.25 to 10.25; calves 9.00 to 12.75.

Sheep—Weak; wethers 10.85 to 12.10; ewes 8.50 to 12.00; lambs 12.10 to 12.45.

A WALNUT TREE 152 YEARS OLD

Shelbyville (Mo.) Man Finds Patriarch In A Grove.

W. J. Norris, a dealer in walnut lumber from Northeast Missouri, is compuleting a remarkable harvest near Shelbyville. The timber is being taken from a 160-acre tract of land belonging to G. W. Hope, and wil make approximately 50,000 feet of lumber. It is unusual to find so many trees of such superior quality on so small an acreage.

As determined by the number of annual rings, the average age of the trees was 40 years. One large tree showed 152 annual rings, measured 42 feet to the first limb and cut out two 16-foot logs 30 inches in diameter. The two large logs and the bases are to be used making veneering, while the other logs will be used for airplane lumber.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

February 27, 1917.

Meteorological data for day ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 60 degrees; at 8 P. M., 65 degrees; maximum, 72 degrees; minimum, 48 degrees; mean, 60 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, 1.18 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. yesterday, 24.1 feet and falling.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Cloudy and colder Tuesday, probably showers; Wednesday fair and colder.

The Port Calendar, Feb. 27, 1917.

Sun rises ... ...6:43 A. M.

Sun sets ... ...6:06 P. M.

Day's length ... ...11 hrs. 23 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	2:04	2:26	9:27	9:35
Southport	11:58	12:14	6:26	6:35
Masonboro Inl	11:47	12:03	6:06	6:15

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

February 26, 1917.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 P.
Abilene	cldy	88	64	.0
Asheville	clear	66	46	.0
Atlanta	clear	72	50	.0
Augusta	clear	76	52	.0
Baltimore	clear	64	..	.0
Birmingham	clear	78	56	.0
Boston	rain	52	20	.12
Charleston	clear	74	52	.0
Charlotte	pt cldy	66	46	.0
Chicago	cldy	44	44	.0
Galveston	clear	74	64	.0
Jaxville	clear	78	60	.0
Memphis	cldy	80	62	.0
Mobile	clear	74	60	.0
Montgomery	clear	80	62	.0
N. Orleans	clear	80	62	.0
New York	cldy	54	26	.0
Oklahoma	cldy	78	56	.0
Palestine	clear	86	60	.0
Pittsburg	rain	64	50	.02
Raleigh	clear	72	44	.0
Savannah	clear	76	54	.0
Shreveport	clear	94	60	.0
St. Louis	cldy	66	60	.0
Wash'ton	pt cldy	68	34	.0

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DEPARTURES	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS
No. 30 3:20 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. Through Sleeping Car between Wilmington and Raleigh. Open to receive passengers, after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, Southbound until 7:00 A. M.	No. 31 1:15 A. M. Daily except Monday.
No. 51 5:30 A. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia open to receive outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50 12:20 A. M. Daily.
No. 64 5:45 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Jacksonville, New Bern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65 6:15 P. M. Daily except Sunday.
No. 43 8:00 A. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. **Parlor cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains having Pullman service.**	No. 40 6:05 P. M. Daily.
No. 53 8:45 A. M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52 8:00 P. M. Daily.
No. 63 3:05 P. M. Daily.	Jacksonville, New Bern and intermediate stations.	No. 63 12:30 P. M. Daily.
No. 55 3:45 P. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta. **Sleeping cars daily between Florence and Columbia,** which may be occupied at Columbia until 7:00 A. M.	No. 54 12:50 P. M. Daily.
No. 59 6:30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.	Fayetteville and intermediate stations.	No. 60 10:15 A. M. Daily except Sunday.
No. 42 6:45 P. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York Trains, carrying dining cars; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41 9:50 A. M. Daily.
No. 57 7:00 P. M. Daily except Sunday	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate points.	No. 58 9:25 A. M. Daily except Sunday

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

T. C. WHITE, Passenger Traffic Manager. W. J. CRAIG, General Passenger Agent.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4, 1916.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH

EASTBOUND			WESTBOUND		
Leave "Electric Centre" for Winter P'rk	Leave "Electric Centre" for Wrightsv'le	Leave "Electric Centre" for Beach	Leave Beach for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsv'le for Wilmington	Leave Winter P'rk for Wilmington
*6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	.....	*6:15 A.M.	*6:26 A.M.
16:30 A.M.	16:30 A.M.	x16:30 A.M.	z7:05 A.M.	17:15 A.M.	17:26 A.M.
*6:50 A.M.	*6:50 A.M.	.....	.....	*7:20 A.M.	*7:31 A.M.
*8:00 A.M.	*8:00 A.M.	.....	*7:40 A.M.	*7:50 A.M.	*8:01 A.M.
*8:30 A.M.	*8:30 A.M.	*8:30 A.M.	.....	*8:30 A.M.	*8:41 A.M.
18:30 A.M.	18:30 A.M.	x18:30 A.M.	z9:05 A.M.	19:15 A.M.	19:26 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	*9:15 A.M.	*9:25 A.M.	*9:36 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	.....	10:20 A.M.	10:31 A.M.
11:00 P.M.	11:00 P.M.	11:00 P.M.	10:45 A.M.	10:55 A.M.	11:06 A.M.
*1:10 P.M.	*1:10 P.M.	x*1:10 P.M.	12:15 P.M.	12:25 P.M.	12:36 P.M.
o1:55 P.M.	o1:55 P.M.	.....	1:45 P.M.	1:55 P.M.	12:06 P.M.
2:30 P.M.	2:30 P.M.	.....	z*1:45 P.M.	*1:50 P.M.	*2:01 P.M.
3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	.....	*2:25 P.M.	*2:36 P.M.
3:30 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	o3:00 P.M.	o3:11 P.M.
o4:10 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	o3:50 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	3:45 P.M.	3:55 P.M.	4:06 P.M.
o4:50 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	o4:30 P.M.
5:30 P.M.	5:30 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	o5:10 P.M.
6:10 P.M.	6:10 P.M.	.....	5:15 P.M.	5:25 P.M.	5:36 P.M.
6:40 P.M.	6:40 P.M.	x6:40 P.M.	.....	6:00 P.M.	6:11 P.M.
7:15 P.M.	7:15 P.M.	.....	.....	6:40 P.M.	6:51 P.M.
8:15 P.M.	8:15 P.M.	.....	z7:15 P.M.	7:20 P.M.	7:31 P.M.
9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	.....	7:55 P.M.	8:06 P.M.
10:15 P.M.	10:15 P.M.	.....	.....	8:45 P.M.	8:56 P.M.
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P.M.	.....	10:00 P.M.	10:10 P.M.	10:21 P.M.
.....	.....	.....	.....	10:45 P.M.	10:56 P.M.
.....	.....	.....	.....	11:45 P.M.	11:56 P.M.

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o—Superceded by half hour schedule Sunday afternoon.

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ARRIVAL OF TRAINS.

No. 14.—12:30 P. M., Charlotte and Intermediate points. Pullman Parlor Car.

No. 20.—12:10 A. M., Charlotte and Intermediate points. Sleeper may be occupied until 7:00 o'clock A. M.

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6:45 A.M. Lv. Goldsboro Ar. 9:25 P.M.

7:40 A.M. Ar. Selma Lv. 8:38 P.M.

8:52 A.M. Ar. Raleigh Lv. 7:35 P.M.

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HEWETT BILL GETS O. K.

Committee Votes Favorable Report on Having Brunswick Vote on Moving County Seat.

(Special Star Telegram).

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 26.—The House committee on counties, cities and towns by a vote of ten to eight voted today to report favorably the Hewett bill for moving the county seat, the vote to be on Southport, Bolivia and Supply, the court house to be repaired if retained in Southport, and new court house provided for if changed to Bolivia or Supply.

There will be a minority report favoring the Cranmer bill from the Senate to remodel the Southport court house, this to be signed by eight representatives. The hearing was a lively one with large delegations on both sides. Heading the delegation for the Hewett bill were John Knox, Peter Rourk and R. W. McKeithan. The delegation opposing the vote and for remodeling the Southport court house was headed by C. Ed. Taylor, R. W. Davis, J. W. Rourk, L. Miller, T. H. Lindsay, G. W. Rourk, P. O. Leggett and T. B. Carr.

TRUSTEES FOR THE UNIVERSIT YNAMED BY LEGISLATURE

(Continued From Page Six).

Tucker, Person; Frank Linney, Watauga; I. P. Davis, Dare; B. L. Banks, Jr., Gates.

Senate Sessions.

In the Senate the special order, the House bill for boiler inspection, went over to Tuesday. It has been amended by the Senate to provide for six inspectors instead of one, as it passed the House.

The Senate took up the McNider divorce bill to cut the period of separation for divorce from ten to five years. McNider insisted that the cut ought really to be two years.

Senator Jones, of Buncombe, insisted that North Carolina is already getting too lax in the safeguards thrown around marriage. He believed North Carolina grants more divorces within a year than does Reno.

Senators Burgwin, Oates, Justice and others opposed the measure. It died on second reading, which was by roll call, only McNider and McLeod voting for the bill.

The Senate passed a resolution by Senator Turner granting a bonus of $60 to the engineer and fireman of the Capitol heating plant for their extra services during the session of the Legislature.

Bond Issue Foreshadowed.

In connection with the consideration of this Chairman Holderness, of the appropriation committee, read to the Senate a statement showing that the appropriations of the State must necessarily run far ahead of the revenue for the next two years and that the committee was convinced of the necessity of a bond issue for permanent improvements at the State institutions. Incidentally he said he would personally favor the issuance of serial bonds to fall due in five years and periodically thereafter for whatever amount it was finally figured would be necessary.

Municipal Bill

The Senate received from Chief Justice Walter Clerk a special statement in response to the resolution of th Senate asking a ruling as to whether the constitutional amendments took from the Legislature the right to pass bills involving exension of corporate limits of cities and towns. The court unanimously holds that the Legislature retains this right, thereby enabling the committee to cut the troublesome clause of the municipal government bills to this phase of city government, and proceed with the rounding ou tof the bill as it is to be offered for final passage in the Legislature.

Passed Final Reading.

Bills passed final reading:

Game law for Craven and Jones; Make Cumberland recorder's court clerk county deputy clerk of the Superior court; Repeal Chatham dog law; Fix trial fees in Greene; Regulate nomination of Cumberland commissioners; Separate schools for Robeson Croatans; Adjust errors in Pender taxes; Relative to Robeson delinquent tax payers; Amend act as to Pasquotank highway commission; Amend Wilson graded school law; Authorize teachers retirement fund in Guilford countp; Protect fish in Robeson; Resolution relative to the origin of the Confederate flag; Extend time for registration of land grants; Prohibit hunting wild fowls with aeroplanes; Reduce minimum punishment in certain cases.

News Bills Introduced.

The Jonas suffrage bill was made a special order for Tuesday. New bills were introduced out of order as follows:

Harding—Special tax for Pitt.

Tucker—Provide for the supervision of grain alcohol and other liquors and create office of prohibition commissioners.

Long of Alamance—Amend chapter fifty-six laws of 1915, as to cities and towns.

The House substitute bill allowing the Supreme court $100 extra for each justice in connection with the examination of applicants for law licenses and have the examinations one week before the convening of each term, passed final reading and wos ordered enrolled for ratification. It was opposed strenously by Senator Burgwin who denounced any catering to the Supreme Court by lawyers or others in the Legislature. He thought the members of the court were not entitled to any extra pay for this service, which they have always performed as a part of their official duties.

New Bills in House.

New bills in the House:

Ward of Duplin—Allow certain Faison township voters to vote in Duplin. Protect deer in Duplin and Onslow counties.

Hooker—Abolish office of treasurer of Pamlico.

Matthews—Increase Bertie board of education from three to five and fix compensation; Fix terms of Bertie courts; Amend the primary law for Bertie.

Galloway—Provide cotton weighers for Pitt.

Clark of Pitt—Provide for the forfeiture of automobiles negligently used.

Sanders—Regulate the sale of cotton seen.

Doughton—Amend the 1915 machinery act. This is the regular machinery bill companion measure for the revenue act already passed. It was set for special order Tuesday.

Representative Cox, of Forsythe, procured the recall from the enrolling office of the bill to allow companies developing water power for hydro-electric purposes to condemn residence site and orchards where they are necessary for the development.

Mr. Cox explained that he thought the bill had been passed by the House without realizing its full effect and a number of members and other gentlemen wanted to be heard on the bill. It was recalled and re-ferred to committee, for hearing.

Passed Final Reading

Bills passed final reading: Provide for incorporation of rural communities; fix salaries of Chatham officers; authorize cities to assess property for sewers already constructed; amend law as to salaries for officers in New Hanover; Dog tax in Greenville; Require instruction beyond seventh grade in Currituck county; Amend Pender road law; Fix salaries of Pender officers; Regulate the hours of nurses; Provide for perpetual preservation of graves; Amend the law as to compulsory education of the blind; Amend the law as to the education of indigent children; Authorize county commissioners and other county boards to co-operate in rural community work.

All bills providing for the election of county boards of education and county superintendents in specific counties were called up and tabled.

The Stubbs emergency judge bill came from committee without prejudice, the committee having been evenly divided as to its merit.

Senate adjourned to 7:30 o'clock and the House to 11 o'clock Tuesday.

Many Local Bills Passed.

The Senate passed a great number of local bills tonight including:

Primary election law for the town of Washington; Extend municipal suffrage in Bryson City; Relief of clerk of Cumberland court; Referendum on salaries of officers in Cumberland; Put Stokes county under State-wide primary law; Provide for election of Wayne commissioners; Encourage development of Western Carolina; Primary in Gates county; Protect certain Brunswick churches; Stock law for Chowan; Better enforcement of prohibition in Columbus; Increase pay of Duplin commissioners; Empower Cleveland commissioners to pay Shelby for street improvements; Additional members of Madison board of education; Relating to Forsythe house of correction.

The Senate voted down a motion by Burgwin to reconsider the vote by which the House bill was passed to allow the justices of Supreme court $100 each and expenses for examining and licensing new lawyers at the opening of each term of court.

Senator Jones introduced a bill out of order for the consolidation of Asheville and West Asheville.

A bill by Senator Turner provides for an election in Statesville on extension of town limits.

The Senate passed after spirited discussion the Scales bill to require railroads and all persons, corporations, and firms to record all rights of way and easements within 90 days after receiving them, and passed it with an amendment limiting its application to those procured after the measure is ratified. This brought from Scales a motion to re-refer as the amendment had "drawn the teeth" of the measure. This was done.

Senator Brenizer had passed a bill to repeal the Hutchinson bill as to graves in Mecklenburg.

Hurry-Up Measure.

A rule was adopted to prevent considering any bill over 30 minutes and limiting individual speeches to five minutes first and three second.

The committee shaping up the Pegram and the Brenizer bills providing machinery for municipal government in this State under the constitutional amendments worked all afternoon with public hearing especially on features for control of franchises and shaping other portions of bill. It was agreed to have initiative and referendum and recall apply to no system of municipal government unless especially adopted. It had been drawn as an essential portion of commission form. The committee will hold an executive session tomorrow morning and perfect the bills, the Pegram bill to most probably take right of way. Report back to the House will follow at the morning session, so that second roll call reading can be given Tuesday.

Since the section as to extending corporate limits has been lopped off under the ruling of Supreme court, the bill is understood to be in very generally satisfactory shape.

Crop Lien Legislation

There was a long committee hearing tonight on the bill which has aready passed the Senate embodying the crop lien legislation on which the Farmers Union and Governor Bickett agreed. There were numbers of people here, especially from eastern and central counties, opposing the bill. Time was divided between advocates and opponents of the bill. The committee holds executive session tomorrow.

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passengers, or whom about one-half were in the first cabin.

DISPATCH SAYS MRS. FOY AND DAUGHTER ARE MISSING

London, Feb. 27.—According to a Central News dispatch from Queenstown, Mrs. Foy and daughter, who were aboard the Laconia, are missing and are supposed to have been drowned.

It is probable that Mrs. Mary E. Hoy and Miss Elizabeth Hoy, of Chicago, are the passengers referred to. They were in the first cabin.

CONSUL FROST TELEGRAPHS THE AMERICAN EMBASSY

London, February 26—Wesley Frost, American consul at Queenstown, telegraphed the American embassy here today:

"Cunarder Laconia torpedoed 10:50 Sunday night. Two hundred and seventy-eight survivors landed. Details lacking, but known some missing, one dead."

NAMES OF MISSING WOMEN ARE VARIOUSLY REPORTED

London, Feb. 27.—The names of two American women missing from the steamer are given variously as Mrs. and Miss Foy; Mrs. and Miss Hoy and Mrs. and Miss Haye, of Chicago.

MRS. AND MISS HOY LOST WHEN BOAT WAS SWAMPED

London, Feb. 27.—A Queenstown dispatch says that Mrs. and Miss Hoy were drowned by the swamping of a boat.

SIX PASSENGERS AND 20 OF CREW WERE AMERICANS

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sacks of which had been transferred from the American liner St. Louis. The Laconia, sailing on the same date the Holland-American liner Ryndam returned to port after being turned back from her voyage to Rotterdam by the submarine menace, had on board nine of the Ryndam's passengers.

Had One Defense Gun.

The Laconia, when she left here, was armed with one defense gun, mounted aft. The report that the ship was torpedoed at night and without warning, indicates that no opportunity was given to make use of the defense gun, according to officials of the line.

The Laconia is the second ship to be sunk of the former Boston-Liverpool service of the Cunard line. A sister ship, the Franconia, was sunk last October in the Mediterranean while in the British government service. Both vessels were taken over by the British admiralty soon after the war began, and the Laconia was for a while used in the service of the government as a transport. She was only recently restored to her owners. Several of the officers in the teward's department who were on the Laconia also were on the Franconia when she went down.

The registered tonnage of the Laconia was 18,150 gross, her length was 625 feet and she had a beam of 72 feet. Designed for high-class passenger trade, her fittings were models of modern marine architecture.

No steerage passengers were on board the ship and those not American were mostly English or Canadians, many of the latter being on their way to England to engage in government service, or returning to duty after leaves of absence at home.

Mrs. Catherine R. Hubert and Miss Jean Douglas Hubert, second cabin passengers on the Laconia, were registered as British subjects.

HUSBAND OF MRS. HOY AND HER SON IN LONDON

Chicago, Feb. 26.—Mrs. Mary E. Hoy, who with her daughter, Miss Elizabeth, is thought to have been lost when the steamer Laconia was torpedoed, is the wife of Dr. Albert S. Hoy. Dr. Hoy and his son, Austin, are in London, where the son is a representative of an American manufacturing company.

Mrs. Hoy and her daughter came to the United States for a visit last December.

Dr. Hoy and his family lived in Chicago for many years.

Warned of the danger from submarines, Mrs. Hoy had planned to travel only on an American ship and her Chicago friends were surprised when news dispatches the day after the Laconia sailed listed her name and that of her daughter among the Cunard liner's passengers.

Lynchburg, Va., Feb. 26.—North Carolina fell before the undefeated Washington and Lee quint in Lexington tonight in the most brilliantly played game of the season, the Virginians concluding their season with a 40 to 23 victory which carried with it, first claim to the South Atlantic and Southern basket-ball championship.

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LOST—A BUNCH OF KEYS, BETWEEN Seventh and Nun and Sixth and Nun, to Sixth and Grace streets. Reward for return to 321 South Seventh street. fe 27-1t

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RECEIVED TODAY, CAR LOAD FINE Canadian rutabaga turnips. W. J. Kirkham Produce Co. fe 27-1t*

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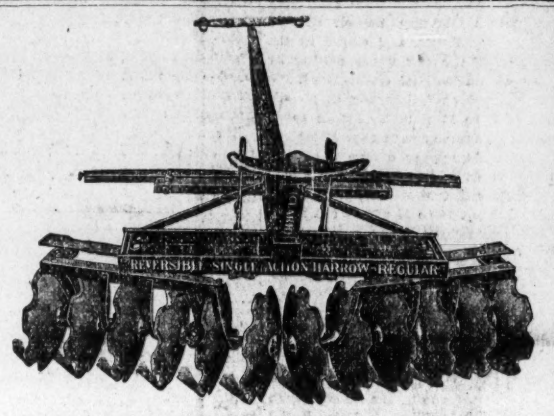

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